

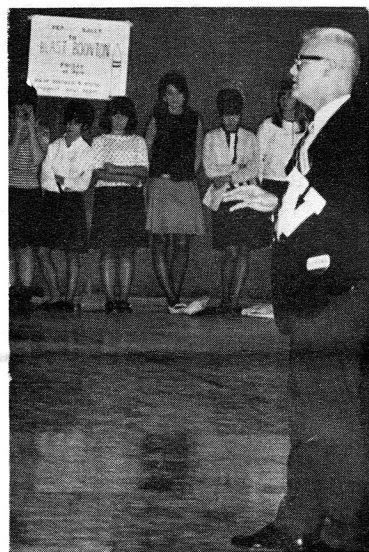
First P.T.A. Meeting: 'Go To School Night'

Parents replaced students in the halls of Verona High School when the annual Go-To-School Night was held.

On September 26, the parents had the opportunity to learn more about their children's classes and observe the conditions under which they work each day. A sampling of a day's periods, an orientation for freshman parents, registration for the Parent-Teacher Association, and a business meeting, comprised the evening's agenda.

Teachers Outline Plans

After the business meeting, Honor Society members directed parents to their children's home-rooms, when PTA membership and fund raising fees were paid.



Cheerleader Willard asks "What's the good word?"

Rally Kicks Off Football Season

Ready to "Beat Boonton High!" the Verona football team took their bows at the Annual Kick-Off Pep Rally. The student body, the cheerleaders, the twirlers, and the band members lent their support to the 32 football players in the gym on September 30.

Vicki Carrick introduced the captains and other members of the team. After two cheers, Head Coach Sutter was introduced. He commended the team on the spirit and effort they had displayed during the pre-season practices. Coach Sutter also introduced and thanked the other coaches, Mr. Orlando, Mr. Roccasecca, and Mr. Yaniro for their aid and support.

Bob Hart, captain of the team, and Frank Miscia, co-captain, spoke to the student body. The twirlers did a complicated routine to the accompaniment of "On A Clear Day."

"What's The Good Word?"

Mr. Willard led his traditional cheer asking, "What's the Good Word?" He was presented a letter for cheering and he spoke about the coming season.

Showing their school spirit, students concluded the Pep Rally by singing the Alma Mater and "Hail to the Victors."

The parents then attended short sessions of periods 1, 2, 3, 7, and 8.

In each class, the teacher gave a lecture telling what the course was to include during the year, its requirements and about the standards that were expected of the pupils. During scheduled study halls, parents were able to visit Mrs. Rice, the cafeteria manager, Mrs. Kaminsky, the school nurse, Mrs. Moore, the librarian, or counselors in the guidance department.

Before the classroom visitations at 7:30 p.m., parents of freshmen and new students met in the auditorium with Mr. Willard, Mr. Weissbach, and Mr. Neff, freshman guidance counselor. The members of the Honor Society again become guides, and parents were taken on a tour of the building. The regular business meeting formally began at 8:15 p.m. with Mr. Anthony Scelba playing the National Anthem. Mr. Willard welcomed the parents and spoke on new developments in the high school. He then introduced Mr. John E. Mattis, superintendent of schools, who also offered his welcome to the parents of both old and new students.

Bits 'n' Pieces

Some of the activities which started early in the school year were the French Club, Dramatics Club and the Senior Magazine Drive.

The first meeting of La Société Française was held on Wednesday, September 28. Club officers, Danny Kraft, Stan Kaplan, Wendy Rader, Joan Morongell, and Larissa Hordynsky spoke on various phases of the club's activities. Mme. Kathryn Adams, Club adviser, and Mlle. Louise Fricke, also addressed the members. The meeting ended with refreshments and the singing of the Marseillaise.

The Dramatics Club season was launched with readings by three members at the group's first meeting. President Tom Kovaric spoke on plans for the coming year. Mr. William Jacobs then told the members about his ideas on this year's productions.

The senior class began the year's activities in early September with their annual Magazine Drive. Profits from this project help to sponsor the senior prom and other class events. With the prospect of winning various prizes, seniors sold subscriptions to over 150 different magazines. Although the proposed goal was \$8,500 the class sold only about \$7,500 in subscriptions. High salesman was Jeff Sherman, with over \$300 in sales.



New Teachers — (Clockwise from upper left): Mr. Owens, Miss Scheer, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Buss, Miss Meyers (and friend), Miss Garthwaite, Miss Tonner, Mr. Roccasecca, Mrs. Kaminsky, Mr. Yaniro, and Miss Leone.

Eleven New Teachers Complete Staff; Vacated Music, Coaching Spots Filled

Joining the class of 1970 in their arrival to Verona High School are eleven new teachers. Among these are two assistant football coaches and a band director.

V.H.S. Graduate

A graduate of Verona High in 1959 and the University of Pennsylvania in 1963, Mr. Dennis Buss, teaches American History and P.A.D. He commented that it was a pleasure to be on the other side of the desk.

A fan of both opera and football, Miss Frances Garthwaite, teaches World History and Current History on her first teaching assignment. Native to Mont-

clair, she is an alumna of the University of Delaware.

Miss Patricia Leone, who has taught at the Whitehorse School for two years, instructs Spanish I classes. While at Montclair State College, she won the Margaret Holz scholarship for foreign language students. She also spent a year at the University of Madrid.

New physical education instructor, Miss Wendy Meyers, a graduate of Montclair State, feels that V.H.S. students are both respectful and responsive.

New Marching Band Director

Mr. Harry Owens, the band director, has previously taught at two other New Jersey schools.

He obtained his B.A. from Wilkes College and his M.A. from Pennsylvania State.

English I instructor Mr. Harry Palmer will be staying at Verona High only one semester. This semester is a requirement in his program at Fairleigh Dickinson University, where he is working for his master's degree.

Assistant Football Coach

Mr. Perry Roccasecca, who teaches World History and U.S. History I, also has the responsibility of being assistant football coach.

Miss Ann Scheer, home economics teacher, is a Syracuse University graduate. She feels Verona students are very mature and likes both the staff and administration.

Specializes in Batik Painting

Presently attending Paterson State for her M.A., art teacher, Miss Nancee Tonner, has also taught in Morristown. Batik painting and stitchery are this Montclair State graduate's special interests.

A final staff addition, Mr. Vincent Yaniro also graduated from Montclair State, and will combine Algebra I and an assistant football coach's post as his duties at V.H.S.



Other school leaders look on as Student Council President Marchant opens assembly.

Leaders, Travelers Highlight Assemblies

Activities and adventures were featured in the first two assemblies of the school year. On September 14 school leaders told of extracurricular activities in which students will participate. The second assembly on September 21, was a panel discussion concerning students' summer trips.

Jon Marchant, Student Council president, and moderator of the first assembly, spoke about Student Council plans. Gordon Price, Mario Baeza, John Jacobus, and Ted Lowenthal, class presidents, spoke out for classes supporting

each other. Vicki Carrick, and Arlene Prager, co-captains of the football and soccer cheerleaders, respectively, stressed school spirit. Elaine Gradone encouraged girls to join the twirling squad.

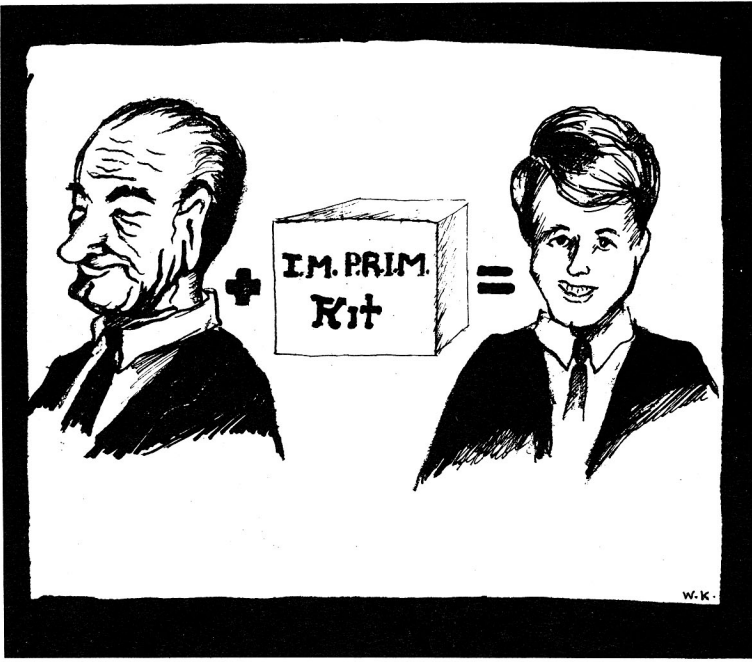
Stanley King spoke about the VHS yearbook, Shadows. The co-editor of The Fairviewer, Larry Hershoff, spoke of the school support needed in producing a "prominent publication." Larissa Hordynsky, discussed the Front Page Club. Wendy Rader told about Perspective, VHS lit-

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NEWS FLASH

Several Verona High School seniors received high scores in the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. The four semi-finalists are Stanley King, George Martini, Diana Noll and Michael Sherry. These students are now eligible to become finalists in the competition which enables them to receive financial aid for college expenses if need requires it.

Eight seniors received Letters of Commendation. Receiving the Letters were Larry Hershoff, Tom Kovaric, Danny Kraft, Mike LaBrunda, Leslie Nover, Ken Olinger, Art Pryde, and Wendy Rader.



LBJ Needs Formula

As both the Harris and Gallup Polls show a definite decline in the President's popularity, the obvious question has arisen: what has happened to the President's image? Washington observers call it "the personality problem," the press calls it "the credibility gap," but many people employ blunter terms. Time Magazine (September 23, 1966) stated: "Johnson has tried contact lenses, light face make-ups, and a variety of electronic prompting gadgets, only belatedly realizing that he winds up looking shifty-eyed and irritable."

Dirksen Filibustering Stalls Bill

The public cried out—why hasn't something been done? For over a year, The Fairviewer has advocated IMPRIM (Improve the President's Image), a floundering bill that has been floating in and out of various Senate subcommittees. The bill would legally permit the President to subtract twenty years from his age. After having been passed narrowly in the House, both Democrats and Republicans, notably Senate Minority Leader Everitt McKinley Dirksen, have stalled the bill. Dirksen, who has been diametrically opposed to IMPRIM, has led the filibustering. The general consensus against the bill has been that it would be unconstitutional to grant the President the privilege of using IMPRIM to lower his age.

It was at this time that the distinguished Fairviewer colleague, the New York Times, noticed on the President a look of weariness from mounting pressures.

Problems Age President

The response to this criticism was electrifying. Over 200,000 concerned American citizens wrote their Congressmen, demanding the bill's passage. After all, the President was aging 20 years faster than a mere mortal with the sundry problems confronting him: Viet Nam, Bobby Kennedy, Lynda Bird, China, Bobby Kennedy, Luci Baines, the Great Society, Bobby Kennedy, Lady Bird, Civil Rights, and George Hamilton, to name a few.

On August 27, Lyndon Johnson turned 58 years old. Despite attempts at secrecy, the news leaked out, and the fact was generally accepted; he was now a year older. When asked by reporters for verification of this change, he would reply gruffly, "No comment." Shortly thereafter, Time Magazine stated, "his concern over his image has made him morose, sullenly secretive, and at times, downright peevish."

As The Fairviewer goes to press, hope has dimmed for IMPRIM's passage. If nothing is done to change the President's image, it is hoped he can serve effectively. If not, there's always the other Fairviewer bill to age Bobby Kennedy. . .

S.K.

Present Curriculum: What Does It Need?

Verona High School is a modern educational institution with excellent facilities. The faculty is well-trained and efficient. VHS has almost everything a student could ask for. . .except courses in Russian, German, or journalism.

These three subjects could rank among the most valuable courses offered at VHS. In view of the status quo of international affairs, Russian is, and will probably continue to be, one of the two most useful languages in the world. The majority of today's scientific material is written in either German or Russian. Journalism is a field which emphasizes self-expression, a valuable skill in our society. These three subjects could be offered at Verona High School, but they are not. Why not? Because there seems to be little student demand for such courses.

Need For Student Support

This writer contends that if these subjects were added to the VHS curriculum, the heretofore unvoiced interests in Russian, German, and journalism would result in sizeable enrollments for these classes. In an informal Fairviewer poll virtually every person asked exhibited interest in studying at least one of these three courses; German was mentioned quite frequently.

Principal Edwin A. Willard, commenting on the possibility of offering these subjects at VHS, felt that "the Board of Education would undoubtedly support the institution of these courses when there is an apparent demand for them." The Fairviewer, realizing that it can not realistically petition for Russian, German, and journalism offerings by itself, encourages students to articulate their opinions on this subject through these columns.

L.S.H.

Racial Extremists Produce Turbulence; Solving Problems Requires Moderation

by Richard Seltzer

As the civil right's crisis grows to disaster proportions, America is confused and frightened. Certain Negro leaders are shouting "Black Power" and calling for violence to meet violence. Meanwhile, many whites across the nation, as most horribly and violently portrayed by the citizens of Cicero, Illinois, state that the Negro civil rights program is advancing too rapidly and must be stopped, no matter what the cost. Both sides present some logical complaints, but in the heat of emotional frenzy their arguments become lost to the nation. Somewhere between the two opinions lies the answer to America's future.

The Negro cannot advance too fast in working to achieve full equality. He is an American citizen; under law this entails having all the rights of any white. Equal education, employment, and housing opportunities must be made available. White Americans must realize, for example,

that Negroes are going to move into their neighborhoods, and that if the whites stay, prices of property will not go down. Until all vestiges of prejudice are wiped out, the civil rights movement has not only the right but the obligation to continue to fight for justice.

Misunderstanding of Equality

The most misunderstood word in civil rights today is equality. What does it mean? It does not mean that employers must hire unqualified Negroes to meet a quota. It does not include labeling as "racist" anyone who disagrees with a Negro official, e.g., Adam Clayton Powell. It does not mean hiring a Negro as principal of a school and having parents govern the school because the institution happens to be in Harlem. Most of all, it does not mean that the white community has 100 per cent of the responsibility of raising Negroes out of poverty. In

many cases, when employment and education are available, Negroes refuse to take advantage of them. Education is the stepping-stone to success, and failure to use it is a grave mistake. Negro leaders must not only fight prejudice, but must instill pride, and most of all, ambition in their followers.

Certain leaders have stated that the Negro must fight alone. They doom the movement to failure, for only when black and white are willing to work together and realize the other's desires can success be brought about.

Petty Practice Degrades VHS

by Mike Sherry

Scene: the lobby. 7:30 p.m. Go-to-School Night. A gala affair for almost everyone. Three cafeteria tables representing The Fairviewer, Perspective, and the Dramatics Club encircling, enclosing, entrapping the smiling parents. Seated at the tables—the club leaders.

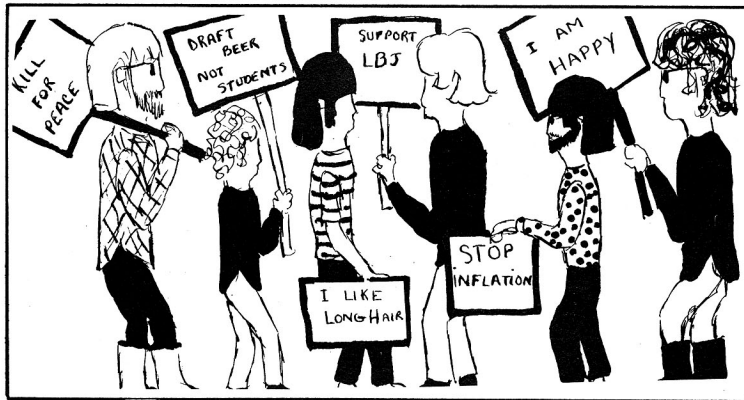
Rules And Reality

Rule Number 1: Club officers must not solicit parents for money.

Reality: "Madam, would you be interested in aiding Verona High's excellent (newspaper, magazine, or dramatics club)? Of course, you've heard of our organization's wonderful reputation and most definitely you've seen our almost professional product." Who could refuse this plea? One woman said she had already bought from the guy from the Cancer Fund. Almost everyone else reached into their pockets or purses.

Board of Education's Decision

Why should parents, many meeting Verona High School for the first time, be forced to see such an avaricious side of the school's life? No one can doubt the validity of the solicitor's description of Verona High School's three most prominent organizations. And these organizations do need funds. But The Fairviewer netted a grand total of fourteen dollars. Will fourteen dollars improve the quality of The Fairviewer? Must Perspective and the Dramatics Club don pauper's garb? The leading high school organizations, besides gaining a few extra dollars, gained a somewhat tarnished reputation. The clubs next year perhaps may have more pride—they will not beg. Perhaps the Board of Education will not allow them to beg.



Long Hair Criticized; Personality Ignored

To the Editor:

"Look at the queer looking kid with long hair." This familiar insinuation is made frequently today. What justification is there for this remark? His long hair? Certainly not. This tendency to judge someone's personality or character by the way he wears his hair is senseless, especially when the critic carries his objection to the point of violence.

I'm not particularly in favor of long hair; however, I'm not condemning it. I do feel it is the individual's prerogative to wear his hair in the style he prefers. It is unfair to designate someone as homosexual, effeminate, ignorant, or of poor character and to base this judgment on the fact that he does not yield to the

current mode of society.

The long hair trends in effect today are neither as original nor as singular as people tend to think. Referring back through the ages, scientists as well as musicians wore long hair. This long hair controversy is only a repetition of the furor raised during various ages when fads offended the sensibilities of the older generation. And today we have the long hair craze which is merely another revolt against conformity which will eventually pass.

Perhaps the violent reaction towards long hair is generated by stronger underlying feelings of inferiority, envy, and other resentments. It is these resentments that should be measured, not the length of the hair.

Doug Super

Traffic Light Needed Now

On Friday, September 23, at 4:30 p.m., a car carrying three VHS students, travelling down Linden Avenue, attempted to cross the intersection at Grove Avenue. The car was hit by another auto, spun around and sent crashing into a tree. The car was destroyed. The students fortunately escaped with minor injuries.

There is a STOP sign at the corner. A policeman sometimes is stationed at the intersection. But students from three schools—Verona High, F.N. Brown, and Henry B. Whitehorn—cross these streets, some driving in cars. The STOP sign and the sometimes-stationed policeman are not sufficient to insure safety. A traffic light is.

M.S.



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Teacher Sees Africa On Summer's Safari

Verona High School can claim that it has on its faculty many world-travelers. This summer, Miss Nancy Harmon took a trip that ranged from the sophistication of London to the primitive environment of Ethiopia.

Before reaching Africa, she visited Greece and toured the ancient city of Athens. She then flew to the capital of Ethiopia, Addis Ababa, which she described as "primitive." Much to her dismay, she arrived during the rainy season. Here she had the unnerving experience of being trapped in a Peugeot by mud which came up to the small car's windows.

Kenya Game-Reserves

Most of Miss Harmon's trip was spent in Kenya, where she went on a photographic safari through several game-reserves, armed only with a camera and several rolls of film. While in Kenya, Miss Harmon lived in Nairobi and

Amboselli and also camped out at Lake Manyara, a game reserve.

Although our memsahib said there was a great deal of poaching, she also told of a pachydermal population-explosion at Lake Manyara. It seems that there are so many elephants there that authorities have initiated birth-control measures.

One of Miss Harmon's most enjoyable accommodations was the famed Treetops Hotel in Kenya. This resort was constructed around and in the branches of a huge tree which is a short distance from a watering hole, where animals drink at different times during the day. The guests may then take pictures of the varied species.

After leaving Kenya, Miss Harmon traveled to nearby Tanzania and Rhodesia. It was on the border of these countries that she beheld one of the most memorable sights of her trip: the magnificent Victoria Falls, which fall into a fissure 400 feet deep.

Miss Harmon's varied experiences through Europe and Africa have enlightened her on the differences in many of the countries. Recalling her pleasant memories, she laments that she isn't returning next summer.



Summer travelers Barbara Kaye, Roz Liberman and Barbara Jaffe pose with "open door" behind them.

Students Return From Latin America; Praise Open Door Exchange Program

Three Verona girls recently returned home after enjoying "a completely unique experience." Two seniors, Barbara Jaffe and Bobbie Kaye, and one junior, Roz Liberman, traveled to Latin America for ten weeks this summer under the auspices of the Open Door Student Exchange Program.

Barbara Jaffe spent her summer in Santiago, Chile. She attended one of the three coeduca-

tional schools in Chile. There was a great difference between the boys of America and those of Chile, whom Barbara described as "courteous." The social life for Barbara was quite extensive. "If you did not go to at least two parties on Saturday night, you might be considered a social failure," Barbara felt that many Chilean youths disliked President Johnson and had strong feelings for Communism.

family in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, and attended school with her new "sister."

Roz attended classes five days a week and took eleven majors. All courses were mandatory and Roz noted "a very marked lack of textbooks and laboratory equipment."

Having spent the summer in Costa Rica, Barbara "Bobbie" Kaye felt the most important aspect of her stay was the relationship with her host family. "My family had no car, telephone, hot water, or refrigerator. Actually, it wasn't very hard to learn to live without these conveniences." Her new family's social position afforded her the opportunity to meet the real Costa Ricans.

Kennedy Remembered

Barbara found that she was welcome there and attributed this friendliness to the late President, "The people loved John F. Kennedy, and, as a result, love Americans. However, this feeling is not extended to President Johnson."

In addition to gaining a fluency in Spanish, all three girls had a valuable cultural and social experience. Barbara, Bobbie, and Roz would all like to return to Latin America in the future.

Assemblies

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erary magazine. Representing other organizations were: Joan Grissing, Meridians president; George Martini, Honor Society president; Larry Shifman, audio-visual chairman; and Jo-Ellen Sheets, Red Cross Club president. Stan Kaplan concluded by encouraging participation in school functions.

Miss Anne Welham was the moderator at the second assembly. The students participating were: Marcia Dixey, Mary Anne Esser, Ken Krasner, Pam Murray, Ted Perl, Nicky Polifroni, and Sheldon Waxman, who studied in France. Barbara Jaffe, Barbara Kaye, and Roz Liberman, spoke of experiences they had had while visiting Latin America. These students discussed social and political feelings of the countries in which they were visiting.



Miss Nancy "Bwana" Harmon

New PAD Quiz Baffles Students

1. The Peace Corps recently became involved in an international conflict when it _____.
2. The Yankees came into the public eye when they _____.
3. What is the 83rd element?
4. Who is Ho Chi Minh?
5. Mr. Willard recently met Bob Dylan. He greeted the folk singer with the words _____.
6. Identify Henry Cabot Lodge.
7. The N.J. State Sales Tax is expected to benefit most the _____.
8. President Johnson recently stated that the first thing the country must attend to is to _____.
9. Japan yesterday announced why its first attempt to orbit a satellite failed. The reason was that _____.
10. The figure most prominent in U.S. News this week was _____.
11. What group started rousing up teen-age riots in Red China?

- Answers**
1. Sent troops into Cambodia.
 2. Exploded a nuclear device in the Sahara Desert.
 3. Bismuth.
 4. Head Chef at Chun-King.
 5. "If you don't get a haircut. . ."
 6. A ski resort in northwestern Vermont.
 7. Cash register business.
 8. Name the Ajax White Knight.
 9. The transistor battery failed.
 10. The Kissing Bandit.
 11. Paul Revere and the Raiders.

First-Day Confusion Upsets New Student

by Jean Vadeboncoeur '70

First day of school. I must appreciate everything. That's the way to start off. So I did it. They gave me a desk: I love my desk. I don't mind the way it squeaks when I move. I don't mind my 15-inch-tall chair either. At least I don't have to sit on the floor. I appreciate that.

They gave me a schedule, and with it I receive the order, "If you don't like your schedule, do not go to your guidance counselor." I now have five study halls a day and three consecutive gym periods. I'm getting hungry, but I don't mind.

I'm glad they sat me near windows; it's cold, my feet are frozen to the floor. But when someone tramples my feet, I don't feel. . . I appreciate that.

Oh Goody—A Locker!

They give me a locker; ah, my very own locker. Why, my favorite number! #2791433926. Gee, that's not on my map. Well, I appreciate privacy. I'm glad.

I really can't complain. All my teachers have teeth, the kids I sit next to all have noses, sometimes I don't even have to sit in watermelon when I have cafeteria study hall. I appreciate that.

Hurray, I got a schedule change—without asking for it. I now have six study halls and two gym periods.

The dark, green blackboards are a little depressing, but then what kind of life would it be if I were happy all the time? It's demoralizing to think that tomorrow will be like this. But I appreciate a nice routine life.

Second day. It's all old hat, I'm a master of my situation. I'm beginning to think like everyone else. I have a desk. I hate my desk. . .

Seniors Botch Test; Dental Reports Good

by Elissa Weitz '69

Four VHS seniors have received letters of disbelief for the lowest NMSQT scores on record. By order of New Jersey statute 4950-18A, copies of these letters must be included in the transcripts the student sends to any college to which he applies. These serve as a warning of the possible consequences if the college accepts him. To spare recipients of this honor uncalled-for embarrassment, the original letters were burned, and their ashes thrown into Verona Lake.

A recent dental survey revealed that among those freshmen who helped support the fund-raising activities of the classes of '66, '67 and '68, there were

ninety-nine percent more teeth. However, there was no known effect on the number of cavities these students suffered.

Obituary — Professional fundraiser from the Curtis Company. Doctors at the autopsy diagnosed the ailment as an acute lack of spirit and funds during the 1966 Senior Magazine Drive. They admitted, however, that he might have survived if the donors had appeared. The deceased leaves a long record of successful Senior Magazine Drives and about 224 members of the Verona High School Class of 1967 who may soon be wondering where the pleasures the deceased had promised in his will have disappeared.

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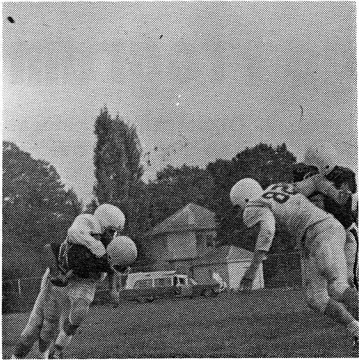
Hillbillies Fall To Boonton As Fumbles Prove Costly

The Verona football squad opened its season on October 3 with a loss to Boonton. Hillbilly fumbles were a major factor in the defeat, as two led to Boonton scores and a third stopped a Verona drive. The final score was Boonton 20, Verona 2.

On its initial drive, Verona marched from its own forty yard line to the Boonton twelve, the big play being a twenty-eight yard pass from Bob Zazzali to Bob Hart. The drive stalled at the twelve, and Boonton gained possession on downs.

Cortese Recovers Fumble

Four plays later, Lou Cortese



Weich drops Boonton back for loss.

Speaking Out

The Fairviewer acknowledges with deep regret the resignation of William F. "Bucky" Hatchett from the Verona school system. In addition to teaching physical education at the junior high, Bucky was the high school basketball coach. Extremely active in sports, Bucky was well qualified to perform his duties at Verona.

The finest all-around athlete ever to graduate from Verona, Bucky began one of the most notable sports careers in New Jersey scholastic history in 1942. Participating in football, basketball and track, Bucky earned twelve varsity letters. In addition to captaining three teams in his senior year, Bucky established nine Suburban Conference track records, and in basketball became the first Hillbilly to score 1000 points. He now stands second on Verona's all-time scoring list. Despite his full log of activities at Verona High, Bucky still found time to serve as Student Council president in his senior year of 1946.

Rutgers Leading Scorer

Attending Rutgers University, Bucky registered 1245 career points, making him the highest scorer in the college's basketball history. Selected as an "All East" performer in both basketball and football, Bucky was listed in the "Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges." Declining an offer to play professional basketball in the National Basketball Association, Bucky joined the Verona Recreation Department in 1951 and contributed heavily to the program's immediate success.

In his association with Verona, Bucky has become well known to all the town's residents and is an idol to many of the younger members of the community. With Bucky's departure, Verona will have lost not only a gifted sportsman, but also a prominent citizen.

A.P. G.M.

recovered a Bomber fumble on his own forty-eight, but a subsequent Hillbilly fumble quickly led to a 7-0 lead for Boonton, the only score in the first half.

Verona fumbles and the Hillbillies' inability to generate an offense added up to a 20-0 deficit late in the fourth quarter. The gridders averted a shout-out when a Boonton player was brought down in his end zone for a safety.

Shortened Schedule

This year, the football squad is scheduled to participate in eight games, one less than the traditional number. Under head coach Morris Sutter and assistant coaches Perry Roccasecca, Vincent Yaniro and Rocca Orlando, the gridders play Boonton, Madison, Chatham, Millburn, Summit, Cedar Grove, New Providence and Caldwell.

On offense, the Hillbillies are led by senior end Bob Hart, captain of the team. Glen Hedden, also a senior, mans the other end position. Senior Jim Scherling and junior letterman Bernie Weich are the tackles, while juniors Frank Miscia and Jeff Ochs are at the guard positions. The center spot on the line is filled by senior Bill Christian-son.

Zazzali At Quarterback

Directing the offense at quarterback is junior Bob Zazzali. The remainder of the backfield is composed of junior backs Kerry Mucci and Andy Mortiz, and senior Roger Trimmer at flanker.

Basically, the defensive alignment consists of the same players. Exceptions are the defensive guards, sophomore Tom Leone and junior Nick Nigro, junior linebacker Lou Cortese, and junior safety Mike Berman.

Coaches' Corner

Following the worst season in Verona's football history, three young coaches have accepted the challenge of revitalizing the team. The squad is led by head coach Morris Sutter and his assistants, Perry Roccasecca and Vincent Yaniro, the latter two being newcomers to the Verona staff. Rocco P. Orlando continues as freshman coach.

Coach Sutter attended West Orange High School, where he played fullback. At George Wash-



Sutter

ington University. He was converted into a guard.

Coach Sutter predicts that several teams will be in the running for the Suburban Conference championship, and he feels Verona has a difficult schedule this year. He is enthusiastic about the tremendous determination of the team and its desire to win. The coach praised Captain Bob Hart



Gordon Price and Steve Hess advance ball in season opener.

Booters Capture Four Of Five; Tie For First In Conference

Verona High's soccer squad has won four of its first five games, including three of four Suburban Conference encounters, and is tied for first place in the conference. Caldwell also has a 3-1 loop mark, which gives each team six points on the traditional basis of two points for a victory and one for a tie.

Seven Seniors Starting

This year, the starting eleven for the Hillbillies consists of seven seniors, three juniors and one sophomore. Leading the seniors are the tri-captains: Jim Benson, Steve Hess, and Dan Rowe. Benson, who starts at right inside, led the Hillbillies in goals scored last season with seven. Last year's team leader in assists with eight, Hess is the left inside. Rowe, the center fullback, is the leader of Verona's defensive backfield.

Gordon Price, the right halfback, is another returning senior starter, as is Bruce Wands, who is Verona's right fullback. At left fullback is senior Dave Peterson, Jack Bescherer was the goalie in the first four games

of the season, as All-Suburban Conference goalie Ed Morehouse was out with a leg injury. Morehouse, however, did play in the Caldwell game.

Juniors Skip Chesnut, Lenny Klehr and Paul Levinsky man the right wing, center forward and left fullback positions, respectively. The lone sophomore starter, Don Overholser, performs at left wing.

Reserve Players

Senior reserves are Mike De Benedette, Pete Ericson, Bill Fried, Jerry Illowsky, Dave Kallas, Craig Mulford, Dan Najimian, Maurice Van Cauwenberg, Rich Volkert and Andy Wulf. Juniors slated to see action are Manuel Almeida, Dave Benson, Bill Gaffney and Sheldon Waxman.

Verona opened its season at home against East Paterson on September 17 with a 3-0 victory. All scoring was done in the first period. Chesnut got things started with a goal from his right wing position on a pass from Hess. Next, Levinsky booted the ball into the nets on a corner kick from the left side of the field.

Hess ended the game's scoring with a left-footed bomb from about forty yards out. Verona controlled the ball for the great majority of the game, and East Paterson could muster only two serious scoring threats.

The Hillbillies beat Millburn 1-0 at the losers' field on September 20. Verona again did its scoring early, as in the first quarter Benson took a cross from Hess and placed the ball in the lower right corner of the goal. The Millers' best opportunity to knot the score came in the second quarter when they had a penalty kick. Goalie Bescherer, however, blocked the potential goal to preserve the shutout, his second in succession.

Topple Pioneers

Playing at New Providence the following Thursday on a muddy field, the Hillbillies gained a 3-2 victory. Verona had to play come-from-behind ball as the Pioneers held a 2-0 lead at the half. In the third period, Verona's forces came to life. Price took a pass from Hess and drilled a short shot into the nets. Moments later, Price again scored as he lofted a thirty foot boot over the goalie's head. With seven minutes to go in the last quarter, Overholser scored the winning goal on a pass from Jim Benson.

Smash Memorials

On September 27, the Hillbillies drubbed arch-rival Cedar Grove 4-0. Jim Benson opened the scoring in the second quarter on a cross from Price. Gordy again assisted as Chesnut upped the lead to 2-0. Overholser, assisted by Waxman, scored Verona's third goal on a shot at an open net from ten yards out. Almeida added the final marker in the last period on a pass from Hess.

Facing Caldwell at home on September 30, the booters suffered their first defeat, falling by a score of 2-0. The Chiefs scored in the first and third quarters for the victory. Verona came very close to scoring on three separate occasions during the second half, but was unable to put the ball into the nets.

for his outstanding leadership and work, and feels that the team has done well in both practice and scrimmages. With the help of just a little luck, Coach Sutter believes that the Hillbillies will turn in a fine season.

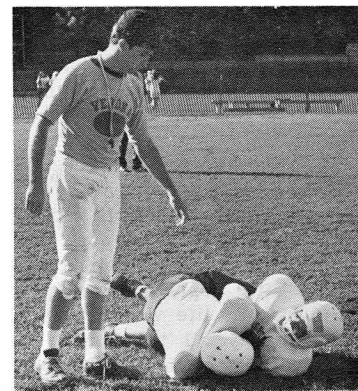
Coach Yaniro attended East



Roccasecca

Orange High School, where he played guard, and Montclair State College, where he was a linebacker. He believes Verona's toughest opponents will be Boonton and Millburn, the latter being the Conference's co-champion last year. Yaniro speaks highly of the team, "The boys have tremendous spirit and are in excellent physical condition. However, the team lacks both depth, having only thirty-two boys, and size." The coach is very optimistic about this year's freshman squad.

Perry Roccasecca, from Union Hill High School in Union City, New Jersey, and Wagner College,



Yaniro

is the third member of the staff. In high school, Roccasecca played fullback, while in college he starred at the end position. In his senior year in high school, Mr. Roccasecca earned a position on the All-Middle Atlantic Conference first team. During his senior year at college, he helped coach the varsity in spring practice. Despite obvious flaws in the team, Coach Roccasecca believes that Verona has the caliber of players that can compensate for their lack of size with speed.

With the instilling of enthusiasm by Coaches Sutter, Yaniro, and Roccasecca, the football squad could improve vastly upon last year's record.

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Mario Baeza, Junior Class President, buys tickets to "Fantastic Voyage" from Lynne Barrett, movie benefit chairman.

Film 'Fantastic Voyage' Benefits Class of '68

"...Highly entertaining science-fiction adventure..." is Time Magazine's description of "Fantastic Voyage," the film being presented at the annual Junior Class Movie Benefit on November 2 and 3. Held at Verona Theatre, performances will be at 7:00 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. each evening.

Chairmen Chosen

Appointed student heads of this year's benefit were Lynne Barrett and Sheldon Waxman, with fellow Juniors Ken Krasner and Ellen Presty, co-chairmen of the advertising committee, making certain that their fund-raising project received ample publicity. Posters have been placed at various positions around VHS, and announcements concerning "Fantastic Voyage" have been prepared for broadcast over the PA.

Goal of 2100 Tickets

Sale of tickets began on October 18. Each member of the class of 1968 was given a minimum of eight tickets to sell at the price of a dollar. People not wishing to buy their tickets in advance are able to purchase them at the box office. The Junior class has set a goal of 2100 tickets for the project, from which the class will support such events as the Junior Prom.

Scientists Take Trip Through Body

"Fantastic Voyage" stars Stephen Boyd and Edmond O'Brien and concerns the adventures of a group of scientists

who are reduced to the size of microbes. They are then injected into the blood stream of another scientist, who has suffered inoperable brain injuries, in the hope that the team, which makes their way to the brain in a miniature submarine, can repair the damage. The Newark Evening News has said that the movie allows the audience to take "marvelous peeks into the areas of the heart, lungs, inner ear, and brain."

Planning For Next Year

Workshops Instituted; Emphasize Evaluation

Self-evaluation is the purpose of three faculty curriculum workshops to take place this 1966-67 school year. Like future sessions, the first of these, on October 10, was aimed at preparing VHS for the Middle States Evaluation in December 1967.

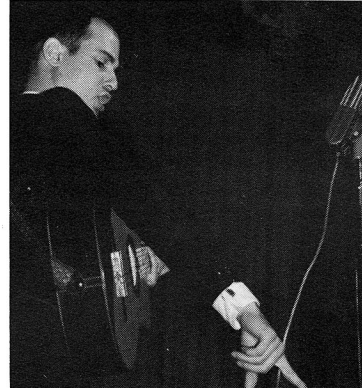
At 12:30 p.m., the day of the first workshop, the VHS student body left school while teachers reported to their respective work groups. Throughout this term, committee reports will be presented to the faculty for endorsement on the third Wednesday of each month. These reports will be presented to the Middle States Evaluation Committee which will

use them as guides in evaluating the educational program and facilities of VHS. Committees were formed under the following sections of evaluation: Philosophy and Objectives, Mr. Don Ellicott; School and Community, Mr. Boris Weller; Program of Studies, Mr. Axel Johnson; Instructional Materials, Mrs. Catherine Moore; Guidance, Miss Anna Howell; Student Activities, Miss Mary Hamer; Health Services, Mr. Sven Peterson; and School Plant, Mr. Luther Falconer. Two more curriculum workshops are scheduled for January 16 and April 10, but plans for these have not been decided upon.

Renaissance and Flamenco Songs

Mr. Gold's performance was divided in two parts. The first part consisted of a sequence of Renaissance and Flamenco songs. Original folk tunes and variations on ethnic pieces made up the last half of the assembly.

Two of Mr. Gold's original compositions were entitled "Who Am I?" and "Grendl, the Nightmare." The remaining songs concerned group guitar lessons



Jim Gold (left) and Patricia Whalen and Dale Wilson (right) in musical and dramatic presentations.



and a salesman who, improbably, loves a vacuum cleaner. The last number was "Oh Susanna," sung in American, Calypso, Flamenco, Scottish and Russian styles. For an encore, Mr. Gold sang numerous variations of a Japanese folk tale. In addition to entertaining professionally, Mr. Gold teaches guitar in New York City.

Man-Woman Relationship

"Through Laughter and Through Tears," was the title of the second assembly, held on Wednesday morning, October 12. The program featured the professional dramatic team of Patricia Whalen and Dale Wilson. The assembly consisted of a collection of several scenes from the

works of various playwrights and authors, each concerning a phase of the man-woman relationship.

"Spoon River Anthology" Presented

The first selection presented to the Verona High audience was a scene from a French fantasy. After interpreting two pieces from "The Spoon River Anthology" by Edgar Lee Masters, the duo did a scene from "The Importance of Being Earnest" by Oscar Wilde and Scene I of Act II of Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew." Each sequence was preceded by an informal introduction by one of the players.

European Tour

"Through Laughter and Through Tears" is a production of Bill Pfuderer's "Theatre Internationale." First given during a European tour sponsored by the State Department, the program met with instant success and is now being presented to junior and senior high school audiences in the United States.

Concerning the performers themselves, Miss Whalen and Mr. Wilson (Mr. and Mrs. Wilson off-stage) are both graduates of Drake University of Iowa. Miss Whalen starred in her own T.V. series for two years in Des Moines, Iowa, while, aside from acting, Dale Wilson has also had success as a radio announcer, folk singer and painter.

Miss Howell At Colleges

Held in the nation's capital on October 3, the National Convention of College Admissions Counselors attracted Miss Anna V. Howell, VHS's Senior Guidance Counselor. Miss Howell's trip also included tours through other colleges in Kentucky and Washington, D.C.

2500 Counselors Attend

Attending the convention were 2500 counselors from various parts of the United States. Speeches and discussions were given in which information was exchanged concerning students and admissions to colleges of their choice.

Prior to the convention, Miss Howell visited Louisville, Kentucky, on October 2. She toured the University of Louisville which, she reports, is famous for its school of engineering. In Washington she went to American University which is known for its Washington Semester, when students from different parts of the country come to the nation's capital to see the government in action. Miss Howell also visited Georgetown University which specializes in training young people for the diplomatic service.

Visits Many Colleges

Other institutions toured in Washington included Catholic University, Marjorie Webster Junior College (which specializes in preparing kindergarten and physical education teachers), Howard University, Trinity College, George Washington University and Gallaudet University, the only university in the United States exclusively for people with hearing impairments.

Lincoln Center Honors Two Seniors; Schnetter and Fried Awarded Tickets

The Lincoln Center's Student Award Program has awarded fifty dollars worth of tickets to seniors Jane Schnetter and Bill Fried. These V.H.S. students were nominated last June by Mrs. Margaret G. Leonardson, music teacher, and Mr. James Ringle, former Verona High orchestra conductor.

Achievement and Participation

They were chosen on the basis of scholastic achievement and participation in music activities. Bill plays saxophone for the school marching and concert bands. Jane, this past year, played piano solo for the Suburban Conference Talent Show and she also participates in chorus and choir.

With their tickets, they will attend several concerts of the Philharmonic Orchestra, a ballet, and one opera, to be held on various dates throughout the year. These productions will be



Jane Schnetter and Bill Fried demonstrate prize winning talents

seen at the Lincoln Center of Performing Arts.

"The Alchemist"

Their first viewing experience was an Elizabethan play, "The Alchemist." An orientation and guided-tour of the Center were also included.

After seeing "The Alchemist," Jane, speaking about her award, stated, "It will give us an opportunity to see productions we would not ordinarily have seen."

Jane and Bill's five dollar seats are for performances on weekday nights.

Will Enter Essay Contest

Following the last performance in May, the two students will have the opportunity to write an essay on their experiences for the Verona-Cedar Grove Times annual essay contest. The winner will receive tickets for his entire family to see a performance at Lincoln Center.

Bits 'n' Pieces

Honoring thirty - one new teachers, the Verona School system held a welcoming banquet on October 11 in the Verona High School cafeteria. The Board of Education, which sponsored the event, Mr. John E. Mattis, Superintendent of Schools, Mayor Howe and the Borough Council and the principals of Verona schools also attended. A select group from the Verona High School band played several numbers as teachers and town officials arrived.

Atlantic City's Convention Hall is anticipating 50,000 teachers at this year's New Jersey Education Association Convention. Many Verona High School teachers will be participating on the convention days, November 3-5. A featured guest will be television news commentator and news analyst Chet Huntley, who will speak on a "Reporter On the Move."

Sensationalism, Amateur Psychologists Hamper Laboratory Research of LSD

by Bruce Cohn

"I saw some hideous shapes in the distance. My mind floated to each one and they were horrible, hideous. They all got together in a mob and started to come up after me—a flood of bogeymen..." This quotation reflects the sensationalism which the press has given to the LSD problem. The recent furor over LSD can be traced to a general lack of knowledge concerning this vital problem. The press has only considered the extreme points of view, disregarding the most important aspect—what we actually know about LSD.

In the recent coverage of this issue by the national press, the public has heard Dr. Timothy Leary say that, "LSD is a religious experience of mysticism that should be made available to all." The public has also heard LSD attacked as "an absolute horror, a disorientation of the mind which very well could lead to psychosis." Those people who are searching their souls for

truth are encouraged by proponents of LSD who term the experience as an "expansion of the mind." Those who oppose the use of LSD point to the "bad trips" as their justification. And both groups are satisfied in their vacuum of knowledge.

LSD Can Help Cure

What is known about LSD and its promises and perils? Researchers have found that LSD helps combat alcoholism. Fifty per cent of the seven hundred people suffering from alcoholism, who were treated with LSD, improved. By giving LSD to children suffering from psychosis, doctors have been able to approach these otherwise unapproachable children. LSD can also stop the pain of those suffering incurable diseases and can make these people able to accept their plights. It is hoped that this drug will enable scientists to learn more about the function of the brain. But all this good work is offset by the problem of the "bad trip" experienced by the

amateur psychologists of our country. The reports of such "trips" are enough to cause the opponents of LSD to call for an end to research of any kind.

Laws Are Antiquated

A way must be found to discourage amateur experimentation, so that medical research can be continued. Our present system of law does not do this and a complete crackdown is impractical. As former Attorney-General Katzenbach appraised this legislative paradox in the June issue of "Science Magazine," "How much will the crime rate be ruled by laws that lag years behind medical research?" Thus it is up to the world of research to make the public aware of what they are dealing with. Only through this objective instruction can we hope to protect the public welfare and not block the advancement of our knowledge concerning this potent drug.

One researcher summed up this acute problem, "There are many ways to keep a fox from killing your chickens. One of them is to kill them all yourself."

Let's hope we're smarter than that farmer.



Public Abuses Drugs While Danger Unseen

by Jason Stemmer

"We are faced with a most hazardous situation. Unless strong concerted action is taken, an untold number of our students may suffer permanent mental and physical injury." This quotation is from a letter written by Dr. James Goddard, FDA Commissioner, to colleges concerning the present drug problem on U.S. campuses. The medical use of drugs is not to be criticized, but their recent abuse must be questioned.

Along with producing hallucinations, it also has been proven to produce damage to the brain, liver, kidneys, and lungs. LSD, the most powerful of all the hallucinogens, is used among college level students and adults. Since LSD is unpredictable, it can sometimes cause temporary or permanent insanity.

False Belief of Harmlessness of Drugs

The tragedy of the use of tranquilizers, amphetamines, and barbiturates, as psychologist Morton Schillinger points out, is that "people have come to think of these drugs as being harmless." It is not unusual to find people who take an amphetamine in the morning to pep them up, a tranquilizer toward the middle of the day to calm their nerves, and a barbiturate at night to put them to sleep.

Today's drug problem is not limited to just the physically addictive, narcotic drugs, but mainly stems from an abuse of the potent nonnarcotics. As Spencer Davidson points out in Time Magazine, the uses of barbiturates, amphetamines, and hallucinogens "can lead to a dependency more difficult and dangerous to break than addiction to heroin." Escape from the problems of reality for the short time which drugs provide is a pyrrhic accomplishment, when faced with the far worse problems of physical or psychological addiction.

One Out of Six Takes Drugs

Today the drug problem involves men, women, and children of all ages and social strata, and the list of dangerous drugs including many non-narcotic drugs is made up of tranquilizers, barbiturates, energizers, amphetamines, and hallucinogens. New drugs have greatly advanced the field of medicine and have opened up new frontiers in the field of psychiatry. Barbiturates have aided insomnia cases, amphetamines have made it possible for doctors to work throughout the night if necessary, and hallucinogens have guided the insane back to a normal life. Yet, one out of six Americans use drugs to change their "mental attitudes and perceptions," even after the great danger of these substances have been exposed.

Hallucinogenic drugs today are the most controversial. The sniffing of airplane glue has become a problem among teenagers and even children of grade school age.

Senior Pens Fantasy To End Vietnam War

To the Editor:

Appropriately he has been named, WAR MONGER, L.B.G. (Lyndon Baines Goldwater), and the NAPALM MANIAC; but quite fortunately he is a man... and has undeniable human traits. Two of these beautiful traits are his daughters, whom he loves deeply and would do anything in this world to protect.

L.B.G.'s Paternal Instincts

To my mind, L.B.G.'s paternal instincts can lead to his ultimate downfall and to the certain victory of all who share my views. The protestors, myself included, have written to him and pleaded to have him take our brothers and neighbors out of Nowhereland. We have sent petitions with names of over one million registered voters, stating that we should get out of there, but all our demands have been neglected. Well, we're finally so disgusted with everything that I suggest a new plan; in fact, the cogs of the wheel are in motion.

My (our) plan is very simple, and yet quite secretive. Our target is a McCall's employee who has a big nose and a Texas drawl. We shall kidnap Lynda Bird! For obvious reasons I cannot go into great detail; I can only say that



I have seen an exact double of Lynda Bird...

Lynda will not be harmed or treated unfairly, but treated as any other prisoner of war. We do not advocate violence so no one will be hurt in our attempts to kidnap her.

Terms: End of War

A ransom note will be delivered to her father and our terms must be accepted before his daughter is returned. "The people of the world want the immediate cessation of all bombings, a steady de-escalation until all Americans are removed from Nowhereland and the Peace Conferences to begin immediately to end the vicious suicides in Deathland!"

Dave Goldberg

Shadows Obeys Patron's Law

To the Editor:

"Petty Practice Degrades VHS," an editorial in the last issue of The Fairviewer, raised the question of school organizations soliciting money during the first PTA meeting. The article asserted, "Why should parents, many meeting Verona High School for the first time, be forced to see such an avaricious side of the school's life?"

Although some school organizations did go against the Board of Education rule about soliciting money from parents, other students, specifically the editors of Shadows, were concerned about the "tarnished reputation" that the school was getting. Therefore, Shadows set a precedent by not asking for funds on Go-to-School Night, preferring to wait for the appropriate time—their patron drive.

Perhaps now that the other clubs have seen Shadows example, the practice of grabbing for money on Go-to-School Night is on its way to being abolished.

Susan Peabody

Independent-Minded Case Merits Victorious Election

Senator Clifford Case of New Jersey is a phenomenon. He is a liberal, independently-minded Republican who speaks the way he feels. He is also the only major Republican office-holder in New Jersey. One is a direct result of the other.

When Goldwater was nominated in 1964, Case refused to support him. Some called Case a traitor. He was not, for by his action, he refused to compromise his ideals. Those who would criticize Case must make a re-examination of a senator's role. Case's followers believe he should be a statesman first, a politician second.

This liberal Republican has been in the forefront of the fight for civil rights, a clean-up of New Jersey Republicans from far-right elements, and a clear-airing of the Bobby Baker case. He has expressed an intelligent position on the Vietnamese War, declaring that our policy is correct but that we must break the shroud of secrecy surrounding our activities.

No Comparison Between Case and Wilentz

This writer is a Democrat, not a Republican, but party lines must be crossed to recognize achievement. This year's Democratic candidate, Warren Wilentz, is running because there is no one else. He ignores the real issues but criticizes Case for not being a "true Republican," whatever that is, and for supporting other Republicans. Perhaps Mr. Wilentz should be more concerned about the heavy financial aid he receives from bosses Cory and Kenny, whose names do not quite add distinction to the Democratic process.

Senator Case has given us the best advice concerning political action—conscience before party. New Jersey voters should follow that advice on November 8 when they go to the polls. Richard Seltzer

Forfeit Upheld

To the Editor:

Last week the diminishing football squad was forced to forfeit a game to insure the safety of its remaining, loyal members.

The general attitude was one of reluctant agreement. There were, however, dissenting opinions, but the facts are clear: Millburn is undefeated and ranks high in the state. Sending the few men we had against Millburn would have been ruinous to the squad. Mr. Willard and Coach Sutter insured them against unnecessary injuries and possible liquidation of the football squad.

Critics of the forfeit and the team should turn their energies towards the support of the football program which would eliminate any recurrences of this situation.

Doug Super



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Vietnam: The Student View

The volatile issue of Vietnam is the most involved issue of our time. Even though this tiny nation is thousands of miles away, the problem deeply affects young Americans. With the draft subject to increases and changes, both high school and college students look with increasing trepidation on the situation. Naturally, different solutions to the complex problem arise, and in keeping with the Fairviewer policy of airing all sides of an issue, we present this page of student opinion.

S.K. and L.H.

Americans Must Halt Repeat Performance

by Pat Connell

Frankly, I would like to see all the Americans pulled out of Vietnam; unfortunately, Communist aggression will not allow U.S. withdrawal. By using guerilla tactics and terror, the Viet Cong have overrun most of the countryside. Instead of trying to obtain popular support through elections, they have attempted to force their system on the people by means of violence.

Are we, as Americans, going to watch the freedom and welfare of the South Vietnamese people taken away by the Communist juggernaut? No! We must defend those rights whenever and wherever they are in danger of being destroyed. Since the Viet Cong do not listen to peace, war is the only answer.

Laos is a fine example of what happens when Red aggression is not stopped. The neutralist government installed by an agreement is faced with the Pathet Lao possessing two-thirds of the country and wanting more. A repeat performance will take place in Vietnam unless the United States stays and fights. Since the Viet Cong and their North Vietnamese cohorts will not accept the much-offered peace negotiations, the mailed American fist is the only answer. To leave Vietnam would be a mockery of the American doctrine that the people should be able to choose their form of government. We should never do that.

Five-Point Plan To Stop Aggression From Hanoi

by Bill Fried

Thousands of American boys have been killed in Vietnam. Our present policy has not taken any steps toward ending this bloody conflict. I propose that the United States engage in the following five-point program: no negotiation until the North Vietnamese aggression stops; cordon off North and South Viet Nam; blockade all North Vietnamese ports; bomb all facilities helping the North Vietnamese war effort; invade North Viet Nam.

First, if North Vietnam fails to accept any American terms of negotiation, we should attempt to isolate South Vietnam. This plan would not be 100% effective, but it would reduce infiltration.

We should blockade all North Vietnamese ports. This blockade should be patterned after the one John F. Kennedy used against Cuba, which would decrease the flow of war materials entering North Vietnam. A blockade would also economically damage North Vietnam since goods would have to be transported by land, which is more expensive than sea trade. The blockade would also prevent the shipment of Russian goods, leaving North Vietnam dependent of provisions from China.

Escalation of Bombing

Bombing would be escalated to include all factories, public utilities and research centers, besides increasing the bombing of military targets. The Haiphong Channel should also be a prime target.

If bombing, coupled with the previous steps, fail, and this is highly doubtful since North Vietnam's economy is very weak, the United States should invade North Vietnam.

This program can bring North Vietnam to the peace table within a year. Senator Carl Curtis states, "Our most important objective is peace." General Eisenhower, however, stated, "We

should never negotiate out of weakness."

There is a great risk involved in this five-point program; however, if we make this plan clear to both foes and allies, they would cease all hostile actions the moment North Vietnam stopped aggression. In the past, the Soviet Union has always retreated when we have stood firm. Nothing points to any change in this Soviet attitude.

Thus, by following this five-point plan, we would end the war within one year. This would save lives on both sides. The United States would finally prove that our will is as strong as the COMMUNISTS! The final goal of this plan is to bring American soldiers home. We can only accomplish peace if we act now.

When Will Vietnam Become Democracy?

by Dave Bristol

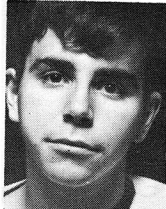
Our nation is currently fighting a war in South Vietnam for the purpose of preventing that country from becoming a Communist nation. Our government claims that South Vietnam is a free country, but the Saigon government is no more democratic than was the Third Reich. The classic excuse for defending such governments is that these underdeveloped countries are not yet ready for democracy. This conclusion raises two questions: What type of government are these countries ready for? When will they be ready for democracy?

For democracy to work properly in a nation, that nation must be economically and politically stable. However, no nation laboring under the rule of a dictatorial government, such as the one which exists in Saigon today, has ever reached these goals. One needs only to look at the histories of the Latin American dictatorships to see the truth in this statement. None of these right-wing dictatorships has ever made economic strides; most of the money which the government receives settles in the coffers of the dictators.

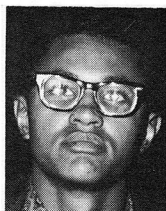
On the other hand, in the Eastern European Communist countries, there has been a re-birth of intellectual and political freedom. This re-birth of freedom, although extremely small, is significant. The cultures which have lain dormant in poverty and underdevelopment have blossomed under Communist rule. Why could this theory—namely that underdeveloped nations grow culturally when stabilization occurs— not be applied to South Viet Nam? The Communists of Vietnam, North and South, are Moscow oriented, and it is the Moscow oriented Communist countries which are undergoing this cultural growth. If Vietnam is not yet ready for democracy, and if right-wing dictatorships are self-defeating, perhaps Communism is the only tenable government for that country.



D. Bristol



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Political Fable: Ominous Plight Of Polar Bear

by Mike Sherry

The polar bear, wearing an armband with a swastika on one side, a smiling Uncle Sam on the other, lumbered through the forest. He had travelled a long way—about the distance from Fort Dix to Saigon. His heavy paws, his thick snow-white fur, his size were out of place in the tranquil green - and - orange foliage. Prickers stuck into his body. They were annoying. His paws were too big and clumsy, his teeth ineffective in removing the barbs.

Yellow Peril Stings White Bear

On all fours, the white mammoth plodded at a more rapid rate, crushing villages, ravaging crops, maiming lesser foes. There it was — his goal. A hive, probably filled with rich, sticky, sugary honey, dangled from a branch. The bear pushed a giant paw into the beehive. A hord of bees — the yellow peril — swarmed out, stinging, buzzing, grimacing angrily. There were thousands of slit-eyed bees, probably 700 million. The bear's paw was stuck in the hive. The polar bear forced his other three paws into the small hive, and soon the great white shape hung upside down, like a sleeping sloth under the small hive, while the bees hid in his fur.

But it is not our responsibility for going 99% of the way towards reaching them. And it will not profit us to negotiate out of weakness, irresolution, and half-hearted adherence to our pledges. Unless we stop Communism here, it will spread like a cancer through Asia. Let us not forget the lessons of past generations. Appeasement does not stop aggression. Determination does.

Goal of Determination For South Vietnam

by Richard Seltzer

American policy in Vietnam has included a large number of mistakes, miscalculations, and small blunders. But this writer's conviction still remains that our purpose is correct, and our major actions justifiable.

The principle guiding our actions in Viet Nam has been the right of any nation to self-determination. Though Communism may in the future profit from such a decision, history shows that Communists have never yet won a majority vote in a free election. Critics call the Vietnamese conflict a "civil war," which bars our intervention. These same enlightened experts called Communist insurrections in Greece and Turkey civil wars. These conflicts ended when the border with Communist Yugoslavia was closed. A similar situation would eventually come about if the North Vietnamese border was closed.

In order to achieve a lasting peace in Viet Nam, there will have to be peace negotiations.



Attain Stalemate Now!

by Lenny Klehr and Jason Stemmer

Just a year ago, "self-determination," a democratic ideal, was the justification for our commitment, but now "containment of Red China" is our new slogan, as a South Vietnamese war becomes an American war. Is the U.S. no longer concerned with the fate of the South Vietnamese, or has South Vietnam become a stage for U.S. show of power?

To defend our present policy and oppose escalation of the war is not logical. Our policy is built around an "escalation machine," which is leading toward eventual conflict with Red China.

We must slow-down the mechanism, realize our mistake, and take decisive action.

I Military Victory Impossible

A cessation of bombing and a military decreasing are man-

datory because a complete military victory is impossible. The war has become a waste of men and money to attain a futile goal. We must develop what some called an "inkblot enclave" defense, in which overlapping defensive strongholds would add stability to a chaotic country. The result would be an eventual military stalemate and allow the South Vietnamese to stabilize their government and economy. A gradual withdrawal of troops would be feasible. President Kennedy said. . . "unless the people (of South Vietnam) support our effort. . . We can help them, we can give them equipment, we can send our men out there as advisors, but they have to win it." Our goal in South Vietnam, not ultimately, but now, should be to allow the Vietnamese to determine their own fate.

GLO To Offer Gym Assistance

"Due to the limited offices available, potential leaders often do not have the opportunity to develop or contribute to their school community." This comment was made by Miss Wendy Myers when she was asked what prompted the Girls' Physical Education Department to establish the Girls Leadership Organization, also known as GLO. This organization offers an opportunity for girls to be "encouraged and recognized as a working contributive force."

Membership is granted on a selective basis; an applicant is judged on recommendations written by three teachers. Major criteria for acceptance are leadership, dependability, character, and ability to assume responsibility. Physical skill is a secondary consideration to be a member of the Girls Leadership Organization.

Correctional Gym Assistants

Members of the Girls Leadership Organization will be correctional assistants to gym teachers. Each girl will be responsible for small group activity and team organization. These girls will officiate games, organize and direct activities. Individual accomplishment, betterment of skill, and more participation of the group in gym classes will be promoted by GLO members. Before working with others, GLO members will learn about the activities in which they will participate in a clinic. Upperclassmen will work among themselves and with underclassmen, so that the underclassmen may learn to work with others.

By working with people, said Miss Myers, Girls Leadership Organization members will be better prepared for life away from home, where they will constantly be in contact with many other people. Therefore, GLO members will be helping themselves as they help others. "Working with others will develop stronger personality and encourage growth of character."

VHS Bowling Club Now Coeducational

For the first time at Verona High School, a co-ed bowling club has been formed at the request of V.H.S. students. Thus far, the members have bowled twice, and have learned about each participant's ability to bowl. Ability was noted for future plans to form handicap teams.

Miss Mary Lou Miller, faculty advisor of the bowling club, said that each team will consist of 4 people, 2 boys and 2 girls. All meetings will be at the Verona Lanes on Thursday afternoons at 3:30.

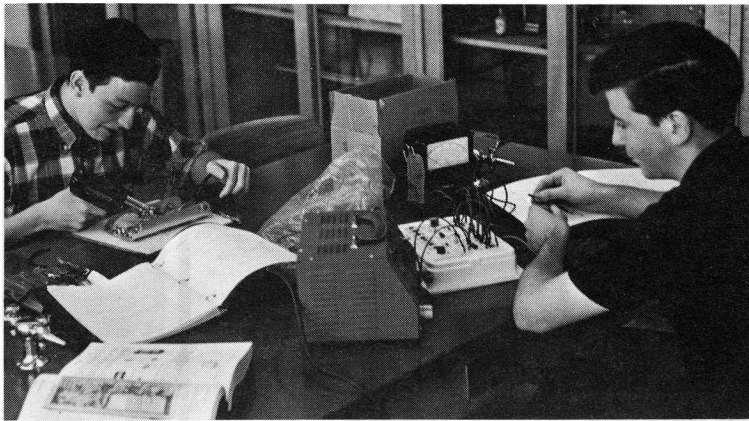
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Anthony Scaturro and Bob Shaw work on an extracurricular electronics projects—a nuclear reactor.

New Course Offered; Response Electrifying

Homework Assignment—listen to the radio. . .that you built.

This year Verona High School added another course to its expanding curriculum—Electronics. Taught by Mrs. Susan Sarle this major subject offers juniors and seniors a chance to develop their interests in the theoretical and practical aspect of electronics.

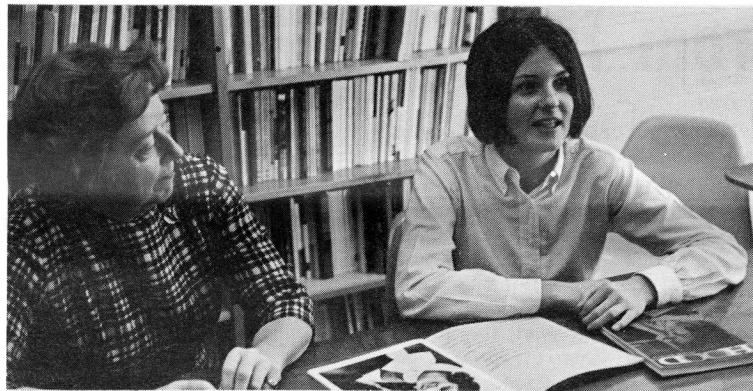
While Mrs. Sarle's 65 students don't actually make radibs in class, one of their main sources of study is the seven basic circuits of a radio.

A great amount of time is spent in labs working with power supplies, circuits, and many different pieces of electrical equipment. The labs teach the student the trouble shooting and servicing

of the equipment in addition to its use.

The Electronics course, besides its obvious educational benefits, also prepares the student for an electronics examination much like an Advanced Placement test. Many technical schools of higher education will give a student 18 weeks credit out of 72-week course for a satisfactory grade on this test.

DAR Makes Award; VHS Senior Chosen



JoEllen discusses her college plans with Miss Howell

The Essex Fells chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution has announced the awarding of its citizenship citation for 1966 to JoEllen Sheets, a Verona High School Senior. Under the direction of Mrs. Earl Leach, chapter chairman, the D.A.R. offers this award annually to girls in high schools of the West Essex area.

The recipients are chosen on the basis of dependability, loyalty, courtesy, service, personality, leadership, self-control and patriotism, including interest in school, community and coun-

Leary Lecture Presents 'The Death Of The Mind'

by Dave Goldberg

"Consider for a moment, Harry Doller, an average American intellectual. Harry is quite bored with life and is groping for a more meaningful existence."

Dr. Timothy Leary, an ex-Harvard professor, proclaims these words to about two thousand interested onlookers at the Village Theatre in New York's Greenwich Village. The president of the League of Spiritual Discovery, Dr. Leary is sermonizing on the "Death of the Mind" to a group consisting of miniskirts and business suits.

With a smooth and hypnotic voice, speaking in time to a guitar and an Indian sitar, dressed almost charismatically in white, Leary gives some background on LSD.

LSD—Awesome, Dangerous

"LSD is the basis of our religion. Using a materialistic aid such as LSD allows the user to have a religious experience. Don't get me wrong; it is not a toy to be used by an unknown thrill-seeker. It is awesome as well as quite dangerous."

Prosecuted on charges of illegal sale and possession of marijuana and the illegal use of LSD, Dr. Leary is quite an expert in his field. He has admittedly been on over 300 acid trips and fully qualifies as a "guru," or religious guide. A "guru," according to Leary, is needed by each person who tries to take a trip. The shock and emotional instability of the experience is so fabulous that anyone on his first trip might go insane. A guide who knows the effect of the drug can help ease the beginner's difficulties.

"The Death of the Mind"

Speaking against a screened backdrop alive with brilliant psychedelic figures, Dr. Leary concludes his introduction and formally begins his Celebration #1, "The Death of the Mind."

As Dr. Leary intones his celebration, an actor and an actress behind the screen simultaneously interpret his words in pantomime and dance. The actual celebration consists of Leary's narrative concerning the LSD trip of a fictional character, Harry Doller. Doller becomes a helpless paranoid as he struggles for meaning in his quiet existence until he is reborn to "Divine Laughter." On the screen, happy faces blend into a steady stream of funny thoughts.

During Harry's trip the eyes are the first organs to be affected. Harry shuts his eyes and everything is black. In about five seconds he senses a sunrise. A small dot appears and mushrooms into a blazing star. The eye seemingly explodes into a multitude of exciting colors, never before imagined. Weird shapes appear and effervesce similar to the wonderful fantasy of a Kaleidoscope.

Sense of Hearing Important

The ears play the most essential part in this acidic trip. Harry hears a sound from a guitar string and senses the vibrations. After intense concentration on that sound, Harry makes the center of his body that very string. Every time it is struck Harry's body seemingly moves. Further concentration on the sounds from the guitar make his body feel every vibration. Harry has reached the Inner Universe, which consists only of the heart. Harry becomes the heart, and every beat, every movement, is controlled and portrayed by his body alone. From a dual existence in the outer world controlled by the brain, a new vital experience is in front of Harry in the Inner Universe. "Ache upon ache is felt in Harry's abdomen until he is finally and completely reborn and life is a hopeless reality once again."

After hearing Dr. Leary, the listener, too, emerges with a somewhat distorted view of reality.

Welcome Back



The Fairviewer welcomes back Miss Jacqueline Bloom, who has resumed her teaching duties and her chairmanship of the VHS History Department.

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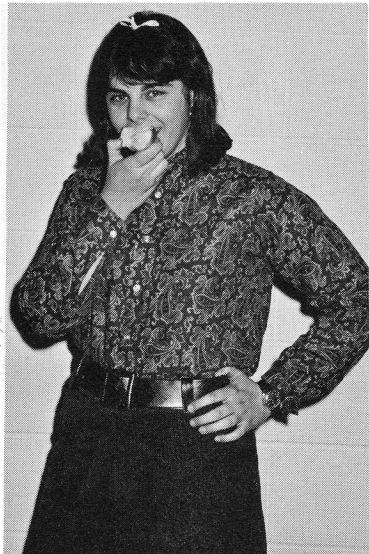
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VHS Mods (l. to r.) Abby Kastner, Mike Sherry, Pam Cocuzza, and Doug Super model their stylish garb.

'New Look' Lent By Mod Fashions; 'New Sound' Emerges From England

by Mary Mahon '70

For the past few years, young people from all over the United States have been visiting London. When they return, they bring with them not only London fashions and ideas but a bit of London itself. The Cockney influence is evident even in the corridors of VHS, where students pass dressed in the latest English fashions.

London Looks

The latest English fashions consist of selections from the Military and Victorian looks. These include bell-bottomed trousers with wide black belts, printed shirts with white collars and cuffs; mini-skirts, jump suits, and slack sets. Other apparel consists of costume jewelry and textured stockings for girls, and double-breasted jackets for boys. Boots of leather or suede are seen often, worn by both sexes. These fashions are bought in London boutiques, most of which are located on Carnaby Street, the Mod Clothing Capitol

of the World, and King's Road in Chelsea. Each boutique carries a different line of clothing, which helps to add to the individualism of young Londoners.

London Sound

The sound of London, like its trend-setting fashions, is very different from the sound that came from Liverpool three years ago, for it is a mixture of both the old Liverpool beat and the new London madness.

The most listened-to groups in London at this moment are those who perform in the discotheques. Such groups as the Who, the Small Faces, the Action, and the Spencer Davis Group are among the most popular in London because of their "new sound" music.

The techniques used in producing the London sound are also very significant. First, a tract of the instrumental version of the song is made, then individual tracts containing lyrics, harmony, and other sounds are added to produce a much clearer and

distinct sound. Since recording was not done on a large scale in London until about five years ago, both the buildings and the equipment are almost brand new.

The cultural revolution in England, now about four years old, has been felt on both sides of the Atlantic. Both the United States and Great Britain have received the brunt of this assault. So, while Prime Minister Wilson anxiously juggles the British pound, the clothing industries and recording companies in Great Britain continue to boom and influence the younger generation.



Protagonist Kesck E. Sposs comes under attack at a senior table.

Cafeteria Pranksters Start Riot After Assault On New Student

by Kesck E. Sposs

(Sing to Tune of "Stop, Stop, Stop!")

During lunch I'm sittin' at a table—
Pranksters everywhere,
Manners here ain't fittin' for a stable.
Thoughtfulness is rare.

Suddenly, I feel myself a-falling
Through the pungent air.
Loudly then, I hear myself
a-calling,
"Some fink swiped my chair!"

(REFRAIN)

Stop, stop, stop all the clowning.
Give me a chance to eat!
Stop, stop, stop all the clowning.
Give me back me seat!

While I'm sittin' underneath the table,
Actin' like a mop,

I look up and find that I am able
To hear three lunch bags pop.

Here's a teacher, we got her attention
In one second's time.
Yells and gives all twelve of us detention.
Such a shocking crime!

(REFRAIN)

Now eleven of us are appealing,
"Just a harmless game!"
While the twelfth is sittin' there
a-squealing
Some large fowl's name.

Seven-thirty, looking out the window
At the morning gloom.
From now on, I never will eat
in the
Faculty dining room!

(REFRAIN)

"Here we come, 7:30 bound,
We got it for stealing the Lost and Found
Yeah Yeah we're The Flunkees
Our teachers say we're flunking around
And we're too busy flunking
To worry about how we sound..."

Every week, this song welcomes millions of TV viewers to The Flunkees. The Flunkees, four VHS students, are: Davy Jones Locker, lead singer; Micky Deadhead, drummer; Mike "Wool Underwear" Nesmith, lead guitar; and Peter Fork, bass guitar. The Flunkees sing and frolic their way through the day, as in this award-winning episode:

Davy: Hey, gang! I've just found a million dollars!

Mike: Say, who writes these dumb, idiotic plots, anyway?

Peter: What are we gonna do with the million?

Flunkees (in unison): SPEND IT!!!

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Meridians Supports UNICEF, Participate In Other Projects

Verona High's largest service organization, the Meridians, uses the profits obtained through its varied fund-raising activities for several projects throughout the year.

Most of the revenue collected by the club comes from the candy sale. One project made possible by such funds is the adoption and support of a child in Hong Kong. The money also finances the February International Weekend, which is organized by Sue Kanas and Nick Polifroni. Exchange students from Europe and South America will be invited to stay with host families in Verona at this time.

The club presently offers UNICEF greeting cards, calendars and notes. Roz Lieberman and Diane Stephan, the chairwomen of this program, have extended the sale outside of the school. In addition to the card sale, the traditional book fair, headed by Marcia Dixcy, will begin soon.

As in past years, the Meridians plan to send several members to Philadelphia and possibly New York City for "work weekends." These weekends are designed to afford young people the opportunity for rewarding work with people who live in slums.

Aids Children's Shelter

The organization also intends to institute new activities. It plans to volunteer its services to the Children's Shelter in Belleville. The shelter provides a home for children from broken families.

The children's stay is limited to two months after which a new group arrives. The Meridians is going to attend a Halloween party at the Shelter. There they will care for and entertain the children. Anyone who wishes can work at the Shelter once a month.

Another new proposal being considered by President Joan Grissing is the collection of used clothes for the underprivileged families in Appalachia. This project will also be extended so that the whole school may participate.

President Joan Grissing feels that this year the enriched program will not only be enjoyable for the members but it will also be beneficial to the club's reputation.



Nan Sterling and Joan Grissing arrange an impromptu display of their UNICEF cards.

VHS Students Hit TV Jackpot; Quartet Tops List As 'Flunkees'

to smoke 'em, mainly because on account of all this advertising, we had to raise the price to \$1.50 a pack.

(We return to The Flunkees, finding the boys in chemistry class.)

Teacher: Out of 98 people who took the test, only four failed. They were, of course, The Flunkees.

Micky: Well, fellas, at least it's good publicity. Say, Davy, how many moles of money have we got left?

Davy: \$984
Mike: \$984? Where'd it all go to?

Davy: I gave \$950,000 to the Student Council.

Peter: I heard that their balance is only \$1500.

Davy: Yeah. They gave \$949,000 to the Debating Society.

Micky: Yeah, at \$99.99 a day, so that they don't have to take a vote on it in homerooms.

Peter: There's the bell.

"Watch out for the last train to Clarkesville

Because the train tracks are part of the obstacle course..."

Peter: There's the bell.
(The Flunkees report to their cafeteria study hall.)

Micky: Psst! Davy, where are we playing this weekend? A Senior party???

Davy: A WHAT??? Hey fellows, listen to Micky. The obstacle course must have been too much for him.

Davy, Mike, and Peter: Ha! Ha! Ha!

Davy: Hey, knock it off fellas! I got a letter from Jon today. He wants to know if we can lend him about \$100,000. Y'see the Debating Society...

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Verona Forfeits Millburn Game

For the first time in Verona football history, the Hillbillies were unable to field enough men for a varsity game and forced the forfeiture of the October 22 encounter with Millburn. This 1-0 loss, combined with losses to Madison and Chatham, brought the gridders' record to 0-4.

Crushed by Madison

On October 8, in a home encounter, Verona was crushed by Madison 75-0. The Dodgers scored 47 points in the first half to quickly turn the game into a rout.

The following Saturday the gridders travelled to Chatham and sustained a 40-13 defeat. After falling behind 26-0 at half-time, the Hillbilly offense came alive to register two touchdowns.

Comiskey Intercepts

In the third quarter, Bruce Comiskey intercepted an Eskimo pass at the Verona 15 yard line. Andy Moritz then broke loose for a 67 yard romp to the Chatham twelve, at which point Bob Zazali threw a touchdown pass to Kerry Mucci for Verona's initial touchdown. The extra point was added by Moritz.

De Stefano Tallies

Following two additional Chatham scores, Fred De Stefano picked up an Eskimo fumble and went 25 yards for Verona's second touchdown, completing the day's scoring.

The combination of injuries and illness from previous games depleted the squad to such an extent that a forfeiture of the Millburn game was necessary.

Sports Shorts

Verona High soccer goalies Ed Morehouse and Jack Bescherer seem to have the knack for white-washing opponents. In eleven games to date, the pair has recorded eight shutouts. Bescherer played goalie in the first four games of the season, as Morehouse was injured, and shut out three opposing teams. Morehouse has not been scored upon in five of his seven games minding the nets. . . .VHS will have a new basketball coach this year, Doug Gaffney. Gaffney is a Verona High alumnus and he earned ten varsity letters during his high school athletic career. He was also an all-state performer in football, basketball, and baseball. . . . Verona's soccer team, which pos-



Defensive stars Ed Morehouse and Dan Rowe.

esses probably the best defensive unit in the state, has allowed an average of just .45 goals per game. Two members of the defense who deserve particular attention are fullback Dan Rowe and goalie Morehouse. Both were all-Suburban Conference performers last season, and are a cinch to repeat this year. Other standouts on the Verona defense are fullbacks Bruce Wands and Paul Levinsky and halfbacks Gordon Price and Dave Peterson.



Dan Rowe clears ball in S.C. action to thwart New Providence scoring attempt.

Hillbilly Defense Key To Booters' Success

Defense is the key word for the VHS soccer squad this year. Through the first eleven games, Verona has allowed only five goals, enabling it to record a 7-1-3 mark. The Hillbillies' Suburban Conference mark is 6-1-3, which puts them in second place. Verona's record also has qualified the team for the state tournament.

Tie Madison

Against Madison on October 4 in an away game, Verona fought to a disappointing scoreless tie. Although each side had numerous scoring opportunities, a combination of poor field conditions and bad breaks hurt each team's chances.

On October 6, Verona outplayed a strong Chatham squad but again had to settle for a 0-0 deadlock. The Verona defense kept Chatham bottled up in its half of the field for the major part of the game, but the offense was unable to put the ball in the net.

Verona remained in its rut in a game against Summit. Again neither squad could score in a game which represented Verona's third consecutive scoreless tie.

Break Scoreless Streak

Playing against Millburn at home, Gordon Price supplied the

Frosh Start Fall Sports

Performing under Coach Robert Graham, the freshman soccer team has compiled a record of one win and two losses.

In their first contest, the frosh were defeated by a strong Chatham team 3-0 and they next dropped a 2-1 decision to Caldwell. Dave Stetson scored Verona's only goal. The Hillbillies, led by Mario Bossi and Dave Stetson registered a 2-0 victory over Summit, with goalie Robert Lincoln receiving credit for the shutout.

Players seeing action this year include Craig Levinsky, Nick Hill, Ted Loewenthal and Paul Ericson.

Frosh Gridders

The freshman football team, led by Coaches Roccasecca, Orlando and Yaniro, has a 0-2 record.

The gridders were defeated by Madison in their initial encounter by the score of 18-0. A 7-0 loss to Chatham followed. In both games, the frosh were hurt by their inability to move the ball with any degree of consistency.

Excelling in both games for the Hillbillies have been tackles Tom Riley and Chris Courtney, quarterback Norm Liedtke and halfback Richard Ott.

goal that put Verona back on its winning and scoring ways. The goal was an unusual one, as it went into the nets off a Millburn player, but it brought the Hillbillies out of their slump.

Against New Providence, Captain Steve Hess drove two shots into the nets for the game's only scores. Lenny Klehr was credited with an assist on the first goal, and the Verona defense recorded its fifth straight shutout.

Cedar Grove was the Hillbillies' next victim, falling by a 3-1 score on October 20. Captain Dan Rowe, Lenny Klehr and Skip Chesnut tallied goals, and assists were credited to captain Jim Benson, Don Overholser and Klehr. Goalie Ed Morehouse finally allowed a goal, as the Memorials scored in the last quarter on a penalty kick.

GAA Begins Fall Season; Hockey, Tennis On Slate

Field hockey and tennis are the main items on the fall agenda of the Girls' Athletic Association. The officers of the club this year are Barbara Kaye, president; Sharon Comiskey, vice president; Arlene Prager, secretary; and Anna Buonomo, treasurer.

Club Meets Passaic

On October 13, the Field Hockey Club clashed with Passaic Valley and dropped a 1-0 decision. The girls played Glen Ridge on October 20 and again met defeat by a score of 4-1. In a game between VHS freshman and sophomore girls on October 21, the frosh won 1-0.

The Field Hockey Club, under the supervision of Miss Wendy Meyers, meets every Tuesday and Thursday. On Tuesday the girls hold practices to prepare for coming encounters, which are played on Thursdays. During these practices the girls learn new techniques involved in the game and improve on these skills. Miss Meyers feels that the Field Hockey Club not only gives the girls an opportunity to develop their own skills but also provides fun and a chance to meet new friends from other towns.

Coomer Heads Tennis

The Tennis Club, under the direction of Miss Carleen Coomer, meets every Monday and

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Speaking Out

by Art Pryde and George Martini

After an absence of two years from the sports page of the Fairviewer, the selection of an Athlete of the Month is being reinstated. We feel specific Verona athletes deserve to be commended for excellence of performance while representing Verona High.

Steve Hess, tri-captain of the soccer squad, is our choice to be the initial Athlete of the Month. An all-Suburban Conference and all-Essex County performer last season, Hess has been a bright spot for the Hillbillies' offense.

Steve must be considered to be the best all-round soccer player on Verona's team on the basis of his steady performance and team leadership. Hess is the squad's "take-charge" man, constantly displaying and creating hustle and enthusiasm among the team's other players.

To anyone who has followed the VHS football fortunes through the past five years, the question "What happened?" must have arisen. In 1962, the Hillbillies compiled an 8-1 record and were ranked as one of the ten best high school teams in the state. Last year, Verona was winless and the outlook for this season is very poor.

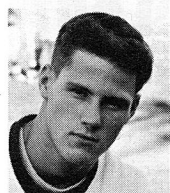
We feel that, in addition to the obvious reason of lack of participation, the absence of a little league football team in Verona until this year is a major cause for the decline. Every other Sub-

urban Conference town, with the exception of Millburn, has had such a team for the past few years, and they all have surpassed Verona in football prowess. Verona desperately needs little league football so its future players can develop the talents necessary for a boy to be a top-notch performer.

PBA Eagles Formed

This year, the Verona PBA Eagles, a grid team for younger boys, has been formed, and we feel that the experience gained by the Eagles' players will greatly aid Verona football in the future.

If anyone doubts the value of such a sports program for junior high boys, the case of Chatham serves as an example of what can be accomplished. Chatham is the only Suburban Conference town which has a soccer league for its pre-high schoolers, and this year the Eskimos are expected to win their fifth consecutive state championship in soccer.



JV Booters Sweep Five

Under the leadership of Coach Ray Bleiweiss, the JV soccer team has compiled a 5-4-1 record through its first ten games.

In its first game, played on September 20, Verona downed Millburn by a 3-2 margin. Manuel Almeida tallied twice and Dave Lenaeus once for the Hillbilly scores. Next, with Ted Perl scoring both goals, the JV's tied New Providence 2-2.

Facing Cedar Grove at home, Verona romped to a 5-0 victory. Craig Lawrence, Al Price, Ken Jacobson and freshmen Wendell Murray and Craig Levinsky shared the scoring for the Hillbillies. Caldwell was Verona's next victim, falling by 1-0 on a Price goal.

Losing String

The JV's first loss came at the hands of Madison 2-1. Chatham next beat the Hillbillies 6-1, as Perl scored for Verona. On October 11, Summit handed the JV's their third consecutive defeat by a margin of 2-0.

Verona returned to the winning column by trouncing Millburn 4-0 on October 13. Rich Laurenceson tallied twice and Price and Jacobson once each. New Providence next fell prey to Verona by a score of 2-1, as goals were scored by Jacobson and Laurenceson. Laurenceson continued his hot streak on October 20 by tallying both goals in a 2-1 decision over Cedar Grove.



Donna Micklus drives past Glen Ridge opponent in field hockey tilt.

Wednesday at Verona Park. The participating girls learn about the fundamentals and skills of tennis, a sport which is not offered in the Verona High School physical education program. Although this club is not playing matches against other schools, there will be a tournament among the Verona girls at the end of the year.

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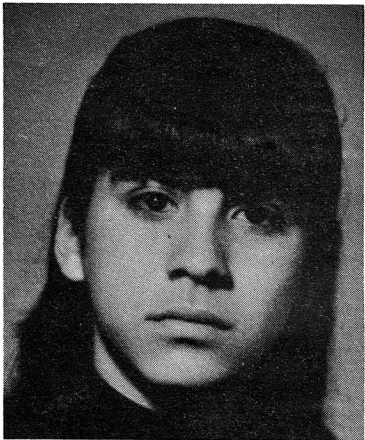
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Colombian Pupil Arrives; Begins Courses At VHS

To open the door to the 1966-67 student exchange program, Verona High students welcomed Maria Teresa Monzon on Sunday, November 20. Maria Teresa lives in Bogota, Colombia, and is traveling as part of the Open Door Student Exchange. She will stay in Verona through Sunday, February 5 as the guest of Joan Grissing, a junior at VHS.

Maria Teresa is scheduled to attend an orientation meeting in New York on December 5. This meeting includes a luncheon for all Colombian exchange students in the area and a tour of the United Nations building. She will also make a trip to Washington, D.C., which includes a tour of historic Williamsburg, Virginia, from January 9 to 13. Maria will return to Verona to take part in the annual International Weekend to be held February 3, 4, 5.

Sixteen year old Maria Teresa attends Colegio San José de Tardes, a parochial school in Bogota, where she has studied English for five years. She lists as her best subjects philosophy, French and English. Her hobbies include reading, listening to music, knitting, writing letters, playing the piano, dancing and sports. At VHS her subjects will include American history, U.S. history, French, gym, music appreciation and Spanish.



Open Door Exchange Student Maria Teresa Monzon.

Bits 'n' Pieces

"Choice of the College," a P.T.A. meeting for college-bound students and their parents, will be held on Monday evening, November 28, in the high school cafeteria. Important topics to be discussed will include finances and standards of admission. In addition to several faculty members, several speakers will appear. Dr. George Kramer, Director of Admissions at Rutgers; Mrs. D. Allardyce, Assistant Dean of Admissions at Vassar; Mr. Lee Mauk, Admissions Counselor at N. Y. U.; and Miss Carol Bylerly, from the North East Regional Office of National College Testing Service, will speak at the meeting.

Many Verona graduates have received academic exemptions or advanced placement at their various colleges. Nancy Heller, at the University of Rochester, Peter Rodman, at Hamilton College, and Lynn Tucci, at Houghton College, have received exemptions and advanced placement in French and English. Pauline Polifroni has been placed in Junior French at Elmira College. In addition, Jeffrey Sterling has been granted advanced placement in English and biology, and has been placed in the General Honors Program at the University of Pennsylvania. Stephen Straus, at Dartmouth College, has been exempted from French, biology and math. Aaron Kriegel, class of 1963, a senior at Rutgers University, has been nominated for a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship, while his sister, Susan, a senior at the University of Pennsylvania, has applied for a Fullbright Scholarship. Michael Evenson, a senior at the Berkeley campus of the University of California, has been nominated for a Rhodes Scholarship.

Open Door Exchange

While participating in the Open Door program, Verona High sends students to Latin American countries and in turn hosts Latin American students. Countries participating in this exchange include Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Guatemala, El Salvador, Mexico, Peru and Honduras.

Joan stated that though Maria will be her guest, "She is here to benefit the whole school, and I am anxious to have the school get to know her."

Maria Teresa has previously visited the United States in 1963 and 1964, touring the Rhode Island area.

Major Social Event

'A Fine Madness' Experienced By All As Sophomores Attend Annual Dance

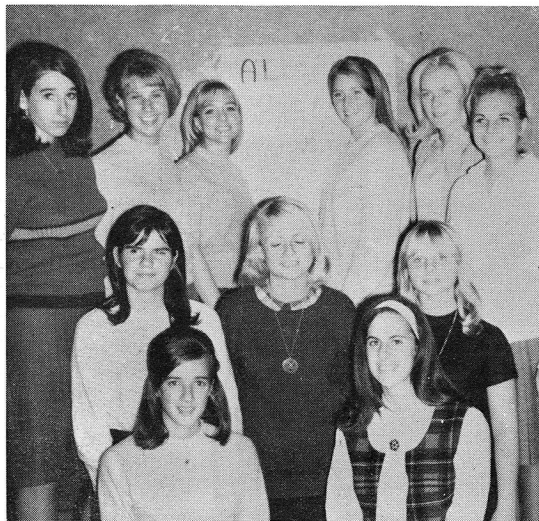
Sophomores of Verona High School entered gaily decorated halls on Saturday, November 12, at 8:00 p.m. in search of "A Fine Madness." Approximately one hundred members of the class of 1969 attended the dance, their major social activity of the school year.

The scenery for the dance consisted of three dimensional abstract, and "op-art" designs. Optical illusions, murals, and kaleidoscopes added to the desired "mad" mood. The decorations committee, headed by co-chairmen Joan Oremland and Mark Hassert, was responsible for choosing the theme for the dance and carrying it through with the colorful decorations.

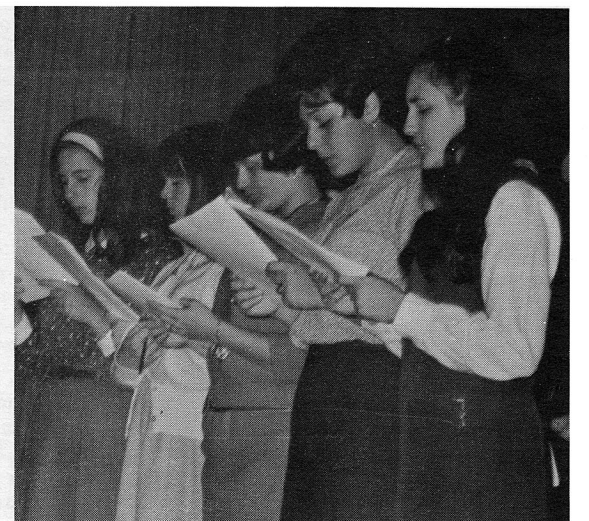
Q.E.D. Performs

Those attending the event danced to the music of the Q.E.D. Three of the members of this band are from Verona High: Alan Kaplan, guitarist, Bob Meyer, drummer, and Doug Super, organist. The other members are Ray Barrett the band's lead singer, Jay Hoffman, guitarist and Bill Liska, guitarist.

Tickets were sold for \$1.25 per couple with no stags admitted. There were no pictures taken this year, nor were corsages permitted. Also, unlike former



(Left) — Cheerleaders "smile for birdie" as (right), Choral Readers practice for Thanksgiving drama — tization of the coming of the Pilgrims.



School Celebrates Thanksgiving Day With Assembly, Pep Rally, Canteen

Celebrating Thanksgiving, VHS will hold a traditional assembly, pep rally, and Fairviewer Canteen. The climax will be the Thanksgiving Day football game which will be held on the Verona High field.

The Thanksgiving assembly, under the direction of Mrs. Ronnie Horn, will commemorate the courage of the people who first came to America. As a choral reading, "In the House of the Wild Wood" will be performed by a group of junior and senior students. Reverend Webb of the Methodist Church of Verona will speak on "Courage in the Face of the Unknown."

The choir will sing three songs, "Not Alone for Mighty Empire,"

"Psalm 150: Praise ye the Lord," and "Onward, Ye Peoples!" "Psalm 150" is from the Bay Psalm Book. Z. Harsanyi of the University of Chicago Press writes of this book, "A literary monument of the cultural and religious aspirations of the settlers of the country."

To conclude the assembly, cheerleader captain Vicki Carrick will lead pep cheers for the Caldwell-Verona football game. Caldwell's football captain, Len Carpentier will speak to the VHS audience on good sportsmanship.

On Thanksgiving Eve, Verona High will hold two traditional events, the Pep Rally and the Fairviewer Canteen. The Pep

Rally, taking place in the high school gym, will begin at 7:30 p.m. With head cheerleader Vicki Carrick in charge and under the supervision of Miss Coomer, the rally will start with traditional yells by the cheering squad, followed by various speakers from the coaching staff and the football team.

The cheerleaders will then be in the spotlight presenting a comedy skit on the art of cheering. Following the cheerleaders, the twirlers will take the floor and perform a routine.

Football Prince and Princess

The highlight of the Pep Rally is its final stage, the crowning of a football prince and princess. The royal couple is composed of a coach and a cheerleader.

After the selected couple has said a few words, VHS students will move to the cafeteria for the Fairviewer Canteen. The canteen, with Fairviewer co-editors Larry Hershoff and Stan Kaplan in charge will have music by the Q.E.D. and refreshments provided by the Student Council. For the students not interested in the traditional canteen events the gym will remain open for sports.

Class Views Rehabilitation

Speech students, under the supervision of Mr. William Jacobs, traveled to the North Jersey Training School for mentally retarded girls.

Upon arriving, the students were introduced to the director. He told them about classes they would visit, where they would have an opportunity to talk with the students. Then, in small groups, they attended the trainable classes where the students were coloring. Arriving at the educable classes, the visitors observed 16 year old students doing arithmetic problems. In other classes students were either dancing, having a speech course, singing, or making articles for a Christmas sale.

Speaking of this experience, Susan Peabody said, "They were living up to their potential, and the kids were just happy doing what they were doing." Senior Bill Wilde said that the children "seemed to be happy, enjoyed themselves, and that they were proud of all that they did."



Sophomores dance to 'mad' music of Q.E.D. at class party.

years, no king and queen were chosen at the dance.

Committee Chairmen

Under the direction of Mrs. Alleine P. Graef, biology teacher and class advisor, class president John Jacobus, vice-president Craig Lawrence and secretary Julie Dawson, the chairmen of the various committees for the dance were selected. Given

the responsibility for the production and sale of tickets were Bruce Cohn and Jerry Salvanti. Bud Hart was in charge of hiring entertainment, while Linda Fried and Kevin Super headed the refreshments committee.

Chaperons for "A Fine Madness" were Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Graef, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Polifroni and Mr. and Mrs. Albert F. Weissbach.

Citizens Ignore Issues; Orwellian Politics Result

by Dave Bristol

1966 has had more pressing issues than any other year in American history, with the possible exception of the years during World War II and the Civil War. Yet, except for a few cases, the candidates in the 1966 elections flagrantly ignored the issues.

The candidates' promises and criticisms ranged from Ronald Reagan's promises to do less than Pat Brown to Wilentz's nonsense about Case not being a true Republican. In the South, where it was hoped there might be a move towards racial moderation, segregationist ran against segregationist, and the only issue was political style. White backlash, about which so much was said, materialized only in two states — California and Florida. These results, however, were offset by the election in Massachusetts, where the first Negro was elected to the U.S. Senate in over 80 years.

Role of Advertising

The 1966 campaigns had an aura of Orwellian force about them. The people were given a choice of men, but no choice of issues. One of the most significant factors in the campaigns was the role of advertising. For Governor of California, one of the country's most advanced states, a top-notch advertising firm was able to sell a mere actor's facade. In New York, the

PBA sponsored a campaign against the Civilian Complaint Review Board. The campaign was charged with such emotion that it closely resembled the Hate Week in Oceana.

The most frightening aspect about the 1966 campaign was the way with which the Viet Nam War was dealt. The few peace candidates were widely scattered and received little publicity. The only major race was the Oregon Senate race, but even there, Mark Hatfield, liberal in the Oregon tradition, often was forced to sidestep the issue.

The American public does not want to face the issue of the day. They find their strength in ignorance, and 1984 is only 18 years hence.

Computers Become Powerful; Robots Control Human Thoughts

by John Tesser

and presented in an entirely different point of view to various groups of people. In these ways the American public is being bullied, reviled, and completely manipulated.

Simultaneous Predictions

One organization which has sectioned and divided the American public into four-hundred eighty groups is the Simulmatics Corporation. Each represents a different racial, religious, economic, geographic, and political group. During an election, a sample of each group can be taken to see how and why this group votes. Thus when the results are sorted and categorized, the or-

ganization knows almost precisely the results of the election. Similar organizations were at work during the recent election. The three major television networks employing such organizations were predicting the election of John W. Dempsey, governor of Connecticut, and Clifford P. Case, senator of New Jersey, minutes after the polls of both states had closed. Thus the people's choice was not a choice, but rather a computerized selection.

It is the mechanical mastermind of the robot that will reach and squeeze out the individuality of the American, and an end will come to American politics as they are known today.

Revitalization of Weak Program System Would Provide Worthwhile Assemblies

The curtain is slowly drawn back and words of introduction are spoken. Nine hundred heads peer forward. There is a quiet stillness in a moment of anticipation. The performer approaches. With his first line, the audience realizes what to expect and the pervading atmosphere is loose and totally against the stage presentation.

As our assemblies progress during the school year, this is no longer the exception but the general rule. The majority of the blame rests not on the student body but on the quality of our assemblies designed to entertain. Often, the entertainer has underestimated his high school audience, resulting in a sarcastic reception.

Display of Talents

Surprisingly enough, the most popularly received assemblies have been dependent upon students' talents. Last year, the Suburban Conference of Student Councils sponsored a talent show. It proved to be an exciting display of different talents, including a comedian, a jazz group, and a rock 'n' roll group. "Stalag 17" and the "Glass Menagerie" are recent plays produced by the Dramatics Club. Due to its record of consistently excellent presentations, an extremely worthwhile situation would be created if the Club could produce several assemblies for the school, not as previews to a longer play.

Combined with a re-emphasis

on student ability should be an emphasis on professional talent as well. Neighboring high schools have had popular rock 'n' roll groups, folk singers, and lecturers perform. Why not Verona?

Obviously, the financial aspect will be the most difficult stumbling block to cope with. The Student Council, recognizing the paucity of funds, could contribute, with the difference matched by the Board of Education.

Contact With Council

To achieve these goals of improving the assemblies, the As-

TV Announcers Cover Elections

by Dick Teimer

"It's Election Night 1966 on NBC-TV! Our QX602 computer will guess at results, interpret their meanings, fix sandwiches, and blink intelligently. Now, to the dynamic duo of our News Department."

"Democrats should sweep all but one post in the borough of Verona. It will be a close shave for Independent A. (Tony) Lenza, but he'll win by a hair. The computer foresees Democratic Congressional losses because the Administration raised the price of government lunches."

National Prognostications

"The computer seems to think that Ronald Reagan, enroute to a governorship in California, has an excellent chance for the Presidency. In fact, it's gone so far as to predict his key Cabinet members. The Secretaries of Defense, War, and the Navy will be John Wayne, Phil Silvers, and Ernest Borgnine, respectively. Jackie Gleason is an appropriate choice for Secretary of the Interior, and I see that Ethel Kennedy has been chosen for Secretary of Labor."

"Lester Maddox, Georgia storekeeper, and lately Democratic candidate for governor, has been electronically elected by the QXWhatchamacallit. Maddox has utilized 'black whiplash,' a major factor in the campaign."

"Mrs. George C. Wallace, known to her fellow PTA mothers as Lurleen, is breezing to an easy victory in Alabama. Lurleen captured 99 44/100% of the white vote and 99% of the overall vote in the pre-election polls."

"Dick Nixon, still recovering from an attack of blistered ears, cannot be contacted for his usual unbiased and perceptive comments on the political scene."

Prelude to Winter

The close of autumn is less than a month away. The brilliantly dyed leaves already are falling, and it was only yesterday when they were verdant. Trees proudly stand naked against a dusk sky, etched by some fall air, tinged with a smell of burning leaves, has changed into visible puffs of breath. The darkness that once crept over the fields now falls. As the mornings grow chillier and chillier, the desire to remain under blankets increases. Winter is but a snowflake away.

Hall Patrol Lowers Crime, Slavery Rate

by Mike Sherry

Are you afraid to walk through the halls to your locker when classes are not passing? Does a shiver of fear race down your spine as you race to the lavatory? The answer to these questions is a horrifying affirmative: The simple fact is that there just isn't enough student protection in VHS.

Magic Mushroom Chewing

Last year the scene of sabotage that was dismissed as vandalism, the boys' room in the new wing, is the center of a vast crime syndicate. Stretching from the bowels of the lavatory like tentacles of a giant octopus, the ring has paralyzed the student body. Three students were stopped in the boys' gym earlier in the year and forced to hand over their savings. The money was not sufficient to buy a government lunch so the trio was embalmed in a one-by-one gym locker. The power of the syndicate is so great that it has been rumored that the nickel increase in cafeteria lunches is entering the pockets of the ring and not aiding the Great Society. One girl, passing to her locker, was abducted and sold into slavery. Magic mushrooms, also have become a problem; after being chewed and placed under desks, the substance has emitted an odor that has addicted two Eastern culture classes.

The administration has taken a bold step forward in combating the student assault by planting traffic patrol personnel at key hall intersections. But these stalwarts can protect students for four minutes out every fifty. The students of VHS must put their shoulders to the wall and fight for the re-installation of the hall patrol. Only then can the forces of goodness overcome Captain Evil.



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The renowned Q.E.D., who will perform tonight at annual Fairviewer Canteen.

Canteen Tonight Features Q.E.D. Folk-Rock Sextet

Appearing tonight at the annual Fairviewer Canteen will be the well-known local band, the "Q.E.D." The sextet has now been together for two years and incorporates a sound somewhat similar to the rhythm and blues pattern of the "Animals" combined with the folk-rock style of Bob Dylan.

Three of the six musicians are from Verona High, while the band's lead vocalist, Randolph Coe Barrett, III, is from Manchester, England, and now a student at West Essex High School. In addition to singing, he also plays a variety of instruments including the piano, guitar and The autoharp. Randy's ambition is to write a symphony.

Al Kaplan, the group's long-haired bass guitarist, arranges most of the songs and Doug Super plays the electric organ for the group. Lead guitarist and vocalist Bill Liska explains his stimulating sound as similar to the "Yardbirds" Jeff Beck.

Robert Meyers is the group's outspoken drummer and a devoted fan of Bob Dylan. The "quiet" side of the "Q.E.D.," on the other hand, is Jay Hoffman, rhythm guitarist.

The "Q.E.D." has previously been featured at such popular teenage spots as the "Cafe Wha?" in Greenwich Village, the Sheraton Hotel in Manhattan, and New Jersey's top discotheque, "Pandora's Box."

Owens Starts New Ensembles; Band Responds Enthusiastically

Verona High School has a dynamic new teacher, Mr. Harry S. Owens, who has sparked the members of the band with a new enthusiasm and dedication.

Mr. Owens, who attended Wilkes College and did post-graduate work at Penn State, has many exciting activities planned for the band in the coming year. Under his leadership, the band has become a more organized body, and, for the first time in its history, the band has elected officers. The new officers are: Sharon Levin, president; Al Marinaro, vice-president; and Marcia Dixey, secretary.



Energetic Owens institutes new band policy.

Ensembles Added

Ensembles are a new addition to the band's repertoire. These arrangements are groups of one type of instrument playing together, but separately from the rest of the band. Mr. Owens feels strongly about the ensembles. "The ensembles are very important because the individual's role is emphasized. There is only one person playing each part, which requires of the musician a more polished mastery of his instrument." Mr. Owens has three major ensembles now: the percussion ensemble, woodwind quintet, and a stage band. Besides the regular band and marching band's rehearsals Mr. Owens conducts rehearsals for the three ensembles before school.

Improving the band and the individual's musical ability are Mr. Owens' objectives. "All these ensembles will help im-

prove the quality of music the band plays, as well as aid the individual's development of the talent he possesses."

Concert Planned

The stage band, which plays mainly jazz pieces of contemporary writers such as "Dizzy" Gillespie and Antonio Jobin, will give an assembly on March 24 and a concert on March 31. Of the stage band Mr. Owens said: "This band will acquaint the stu-

dent with various styles of jazz. It will also help the student to perfect his style, which could help both in school and after graduation."

Mr. Owens wants to bring the band, the marching band, and the various ensembles to the attention of the school and of the town. His enthusiastic and devoted approach to the task will undoubtedly bring the band new praise.

The Student Voice

In past years, VHS seniors have enjoyed the privilege of a Senior Day; however, this privilege was revoked two years ago. The Fairviewer has conducted a poll to find out how the students feel on the question, "Do you think there should be a Senior Day?"

Dee Major '67—"Yes because seniors have no privileges other than the senior lounge, where you find juniors."

Gail Lincoln '67—"Yes, we deserve it. We shouldn't be punished because of what another class did. It's the last high school days, and the seniors should have one special day for some fun."

Mary Mahon '70—"No, because school is a place for learning, not goofing around and getting into all sorts of trouble which is essentially what happens on Senior Day."

Linda Di Roma '70—"Yes, it's their last year and they should have something to remember it

by instead of hard work and teachers." *****

Kathy Burguillos '69—"Yes, I think there should be a Senior Day because the seniors, after four long years, deserve a day of their own where they would be permitted to do things that no other classes could. This day, kept within limits, would most certainly be a day that the whole school would look forward to each year."

Jason Stemmer '68—"Yes, if one day of the year can't be set aside for seniors who will be going on to various occupations or to higher education, for the purpose of freedom of expression, then this is a definite reflection on the American theory of education."

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Pilgrims Sign Maybellene Pact; Fish Fertilizer Upsets Standish

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After a trip highlighted by the creation of the Maybellene Compact, the ship reached America, and the group landed on a large rock at the shoreline. After almost trampling a little white maiden to death, the Pilgrims came to a halt, as they were confronted by a group of Indians. Tom McAnn Standish was the first to speak:

"You know, men, I don't think these are the friendliest Indians in the whole world."

"Why do you say that, Captain Standish?" they asked.

"I don't know, Maybe it's their shifty eyes, or the look on their faces. . ."

"How about the arrow in your hat?"

"That could've done it."

After a few uncertain moments, the Indians' chief came forward and extended his hand to Standish.



"My name Squinto. Want to be friends with white man. Come to teepee and smoke peace pipe."

"Sorry, Squinto, can't do that. I don't smoke any more. Haven't you read those lung cancer reports?"

"No, Reader's Digest subscription run out many moons ago. No Seniors come to renew subscription, so we no get."

One day one of the Pilgrims came to Standish, obviously worried about the antics of the Indians out in the cornfield and Standish immediately went to investigate.

"Really hung one on last night eh, Squinto?"

"No."

"You always plant fish around this time of year?"

"Me planting corn."

"Awfully funny-looking kernels, aren't they?"

"Corn kernel inside of fish, dummy."

Despite the Indians outlandish agrarian policies, the Plymouth colony was a success and soon had the surplus food to have a Thanksgiving feast.

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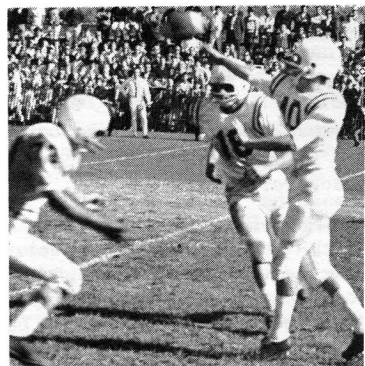
The Verona High School football team was beaten by Summit 42-0 and Cedar Grove 44-6 in its two most recent games. These two losses brought the Hillbillies' season record to 0-6.

Facing Summit on October 29, the gridders were kept bottled up in their own territory until the final play of the game. Verona handled the ball only eleven times in the entire game. Summit raced to a 21-0 lead in the first period, which was built into a 35-0 half-time advantage. A fourth-quarter touchdown by the Hilltoppers closed out the scoring in the 42-0 win.

Mems Retain Trophy

The following Saturday saw the Hillbillies at Cedar Grove in the Verona-Cedar Grove Times trophy game. Memorial High retained the cup by beating Verona 44-6. The Mems dominated play in the first half and compiled a 34-0 lead.

In the third quarter, Verona notched its only score. The Verona defense stalled a Cedar Grove drive on the Hillbilly two-yard line, and Verona gained pos-



Bob Zazzali fires pass for short yardage.

session on downs. On the next play, Bill Osmun took a hand-off from Bob Zazzali, broke through right tackle and streaked past a host of defenders for a 98-yard touchdown play. The extra-point attempt failed, and Verona trailed 34-6. Following a Memorial touchdown, Osmun again penetrated the Cedar Grove defense, sprinting 80 yards for a score, but a clipping penalty nullified the effort. A Memorial field goal brought about the 44-6 final score.

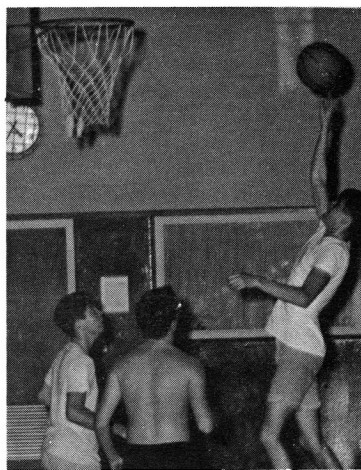
Frosh Gridders Win First Game

The freshmen football team recorded Verona's only grid victory of the year with a 19-6 win over Cedar Grove.

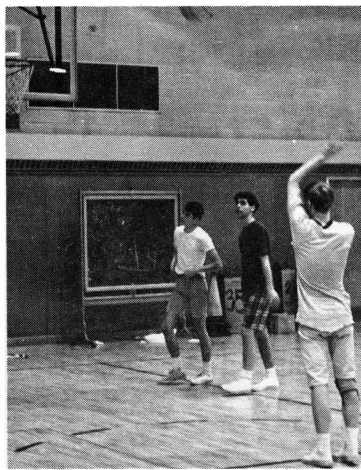
Quarterback Norman Liedtke scored on a 2-yard plunge and a 50-yard punt return. Pepper Redd tallied the final touchdown. Following a forfeit to Millburn, the squad journeyed to Summit and fell to the Hilltopper eleven by a score of 25-6. Glenn Oliver scored in a losing effort.

Frosh Soccer

The freshman soccer team completed its season with a 1-4-2 record, losing two and tying two in the last four games. After losing to Chatham 3-1 and Caldwell 2-0, the freshmen then played two games against West Essex. They tied both, 0-0 and 1-1. Danny Kramer scored the only Hillbilly goal in the two games.



Clyde Bergstresser and Art Pryde demonstrate early season skills.



Two New Coaches

Cagers Begin Workouts; Gaffney Stresses Defense

Practice for the 1966-67 edition of the Verona High basketball squad began on November 1. The Hillbilly varsity will be led by a new coach, Doug Gaffney, and the new JV mentor, Ray Bleiweiss, will instruct the sophomores. Coach Gaffney is a firm believer in the adage that "defense is the name of the game," and so the emphasis in the early workouts has naturally been on defensive tactics.

Prospective Starters

Trying for spots on the varsity squad are seniors Clyde Bergstresser, Joe Freda, Denny Leavens, John Landara and Art Pryde. Junior hopefuls include Bill Anderson, Tom Caprio, Bob Coad, Tom Courtney, Steve Dikovics, Steve Hickey, Garry Kelly, Steve Kraus and Steve Shapiro. Sophomores who have been impressive in early practices are Keith Carlson, Eric

JV Booters Capture Two

After compiling a 6-3-1 record in its first ten games, the JV soccer team won two, lost one and tied two games for an overall record of 8-4-3. This is the finest JV soccer record in five years.

Playing an away game at Caldwell, Verona lost a tough 1-0 decision to a strong Caldwell team. Verona beat Madison, and returned to its winning ways, avenging a previous loss to the Dodgers by a score of 2-1. The Hillbilly scores were recorded by Rich Laurenceson. In their next game, the JV's trounced Chatham 3-0. Al Price contributed two goals and Rich Laurenceson one, as Bill Gaffney, Verona's goalie, was credited with the shutout.

In their next game, Verona met Bloomfield in an away game and was tied 2-2. Goals were scored by Laurenceson and Sheldon Waxman. Their final game was played at home against Summit, and Verona's score in this 1-1 tie was credited to Ken Jacobsen.

Gustavson, Gary Kistner, Al McKovsky, Don Overholser, Pat Sullivan and Doug Wallace.

Experienced Squad

With only one of last year's starters lost through graduation, Verona will have an experienced crew this year. Kraus, Anderson, Ed Morehouse, Kerry Mucci, Roger Trimmer and Greg Swenson all started at one time or another last year. Of the latter four, Morehouse, Mucci and Trimmer will try out for the team at the end of the fall sports season, and Swenson is injured.



Athlete of Month, Dan Rowe, displays form.

Soccer Tri-Captain Dan Rowe Selected As Athlete Of Month

Dan Rowe, a soccer team tri-captain, is the choice as Athlete of the Month for this issue. Rowe was an All-Suburban Conference and All-Essex County performer last year, and has an excellent chance to secure a berth on the All-State team this year.

Rowe must be considered to be the most valuable and versatile player on Verona's squad this year. He started the year as the center fullback, but was moved up to halfback and the line late in the year because of the team's scoring deficiency.

Defensive Star

The spearhead of the Hillbillies' defense, Dan constantly broke up enemy offensive drives. His clearing kicks and sharp passes were important factors in Verona's low goals-scored-

Booters Place Third; Qualify For Tourney

After early victories had put Verona in the Suburban Conference lead, the varsity booters were unable to keep pace with Caldwell and Chatham and slipped to a third-place finish. In their final five regular season games, the Hillbillies won one and lost four. Verona faced Tenafly on November 15 in the opening round of the State Tournament.

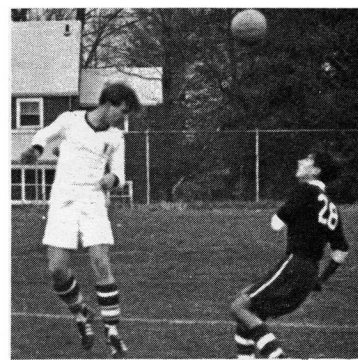
Playing away on October 25, Verona lost to the conference-leading Caldwell team by a score of 2-0. Caldwell scores in the first and third quarters were enough to guarantee the win as Verona was never able to mount a substantial attack.

Face Madison

The booters' next encounter was with Madison at home on October 27, and the Hillbillies dropped a 1-0 decision. Madison scored early in the game and managed to protect the margin despite frequent Hillbilly threats, one of which was a shot by Jim Benson which hit the Dodger goal post.

Lose to Chatham

Facing a strong Chatham squad on November 1, the Hillbillies lost by a score of 2-0 on the winner's field. Chatham scored in the first and second periods and kept pressure on Verona throughout the game. Verona had few oppor-



Bruce Wands heads ball past N.P. opponent.

tunities to mount offensive drives.

Following these three losses, Verona looked like a new team as they outplayed a strong Bloomfield team but still lost 2-0. Bloomfield scored early in the opening period and did not score again until late in the last quarter on a penalty kick. Verona dominated action during the game but could not put the ball in the goal.

On the home field on November 7, Verona ended its winless drought by trouncing Summit 3-0. Captain Steve Hess scored first in the opening quarter by taking a pass from Jim Benson and drilling a shot into the corner of the goal. Hess struck again later in the same period, scoring on another cross from Benson. The final goal was added by Len Klehr.

Sports Quiz

- 1). Led the American League in homers in 1965; a. Harmon Killebrew b. Tony Conigliaro c. Mikey Mantle d. Rocky Colavito
- 2). Scored an NFL record of twenty-three touchdowns during the 1965-66 season: a. Jim Brown b. Tim Brown c. Gale Sayers d. Jim Taylor
- 3). Last pitcher, besides Sandy Koufax, to win the Cy Young Award as baseball's best pitcher: a. Juan Marichal b. Don Drysdale c. Jim Maloney d. Dean Chance.
- 4). Most valuable player in last year's NBA all-star game: a. Bill Russell b. Adrian Smith c. Oscar Robertson d. Wilt Chamberlain

Answers: 1). b 2). c 3). d 4). b

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New members of the National Honor Society

Honor Society Holds Inductions Of Seniors

As a candle was lighted for each one, twenty-one seniors became members of the National Honor Society. Members who were inducted last year as juniors conducted the assembly on December 13. The new members include: David Bristol, Anna Buonomo, Patrick Connell, Donna Currey, Larry Hershoff, Larissa Hordynsky, Barbara Kaye, Susan Kanas, Stanley Kaplan, Stanley King, Gail Lincoln, Judy Leuchter, Susan Leuchter, Leslie Nover, Arthur Pryde, Carol Shefrin, Jane Schmetter, Jeff Sherman, Paige Ulrey, Rene Vadeboncoeur and Bruce Wands.

Donna Micklus conducted opening exercises, and George Martini, President of the Verona

Chapter of the Society, acted as Master of Ceremonies.

Members Give Qualifications

The criteria for membership in the Honor Society are Character, Service, Leadership, and Scholarship. After Tom Kovaric spoke on the history of the Honor Society, four members who were inducted last year discussed the attributes. Ken Olinger spoke on Character, Diana Noll on Scholarship, Donna Micklus on Leadership, and JoEllen Sheets on Service.

Following the speeches, the inductions and candle-lighting ceremony were conducted by the old members. As these Seniors read his activities and called his name, the new inductee came to the stage. He then received a certificate of membership and a candle was lighted. After a pledge was administered to the new members by George Martini, they were presented with gold Honor Society pins which were donated by the Board of Education. These were presented by Mr. Edwin A. Willard, who also spoke about the responsibilities of the Honor Society.



New inductees Kaplan and Bristol mingle at reception.

Following the assembly, which was staged by Wendy Rader, a reception was held in the cafeteria for old and new members of the Honor Society, their parents, and teachers. The reception was organized by Susan Peabody.

The National Honor Society in Verona High School is not only an honorary organization, but also one which serves the school. One of its main activities is the Light Bulb Sale, which will be held in the spring. The purpose of this sale is to raise money for two scholarships which the Society awards at the Senior Honors Assembly.

Choir, Band Plan Christmas Program; Holiday Wassail Party Fetes Alumni

The sounds of Christmas will again fill the VHS auditorium as the holiday season receives a salute at the annual choir and band assembly to be presented on December 23.

During the first portion of the assembly, which is produced jointly by the vocal and instrumental departments, Mrs. Margaret G. Leonardson will be directing the choir. Songs included in their repertoire will be "To Us A Child Is Born," a Bach Cantata chorus and "Cantate Domino" by Pietroni.

The choir will end its portion of the program with "Lift Up Your Heads O Ye Gates," from the Messiah, by Handel. Mr. Robert B. Rogers will accompany the group, while Jane Schmetter, organist, and Carolyn Moline, pianist will be student accompanists.

Madeline Honigfield will be featured in a solo, "Rejoice Greatly," by Bach. "On Bethlehem's Plain" by William R. Spence will be sung by Mr. Sven Peterson, Athletic Director, with accompaniment by Mr. Anthony Scelba.

Band and Ensemble Perform

The VHS band, under the direction of Mr. Harry Owens, will perform during the second half of the program. Among the selections the group will play

are: "Sheep May Safely Graze" by Bach; "La Boutique Fantasque" by Rossini and Respighi; and "Sleigh Ride" by Leroy Anderson.

The newly-formed woodwind quintet will also play a selection. This ensemble includes David Feinstein on clarinet, Marcy Brooks on oboe, Danny Kramer on bassoon, Ellen Straus on French horn, and Sharon Levin and Marcia Wannemacher on flutes.

To conclude the assembly, Mr. Edwin A. Willard will read his

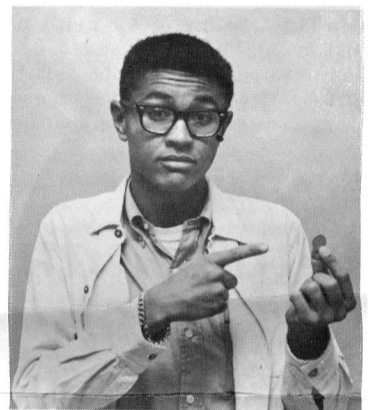
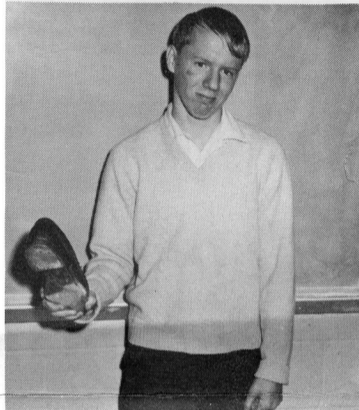
annual "A Letter to Virginia" and will speak to the student body.

Annual Wassail Party

College students home for the Christmas vacation were honored at the annual Wassail Party on Tuesday, December 20. The party, held in the cafeteria, is prepared by the Honor Society.

Although the wassail bowl did not contain true wassail, the same festive atmosphere was present. All VHS alumni were invited to attend the party, which was organized by senior Wendy Rader.

Connell, Schultz Win Acclaim For Talents



Bob Schultz and Pat Connell pantomime recent and anticipated honors.

Bob Schultz and Pat Connell, two Verona High School Seniors, have won recognition for outstanding forensic and academic qualities.

Winning a first place medal in the Essex County Competition for Public Speaking, Bob Schultz became eligible for the state competition with his speech "The Myth of Peace." In this contest he won second prize.

Bob is a member of the Speak Easy Club for Public Speaking, a branch of the 4-H Club in Essex County. He recommends that "anyone interested in public speaking should attend a weekly meeting of the club."

Pat Becomes Finalist

Pat Connell was chosen as one of 1150 national finalists in the National Achievement Scholarship Program for outstanding Negro students. From the results of qualifying tests, along with academic records and school recommendations, Pat was elected as a finalist.

Of the finalists, more than 250 will win four-year scholarships

to the college of their choice. The grants, which are determined by financial need, will be announced in March. Funds for these scholarships are underwritten by the Ford Foundation.

At Verona High School, Pat has been an active participant in football, softball, Dramatics Club, Model U.N., Perspective, and the Student Council.

Commencement Outside in '67

For the first time in school history, Verona High School will hold outdoor commencement exercises as the Class of 1967 graduates on June 22, 1967.

Spectators will sit on the concrete stands on the athletic field, while the Class of 1967 will sit on the bleachers facing the stands. To overcome the problems that would arise in case of rain, each senior will receive three maroon tickets which will entitle the bearer to a reserved seat either in the stands, if commencement is outdoors, or in the gym, cafeteria or library if commencement is indoors.

Senior Class Idea

The idea to have an outside graduation was originated in the senior class and then approved by the Board of Education. Student and faculty members of the graduation committee include: class officers Gordon Price, Anna Buonomo and Sharon Comiskey; other seniors, Ginger Hentz, Barbara Griffiths, Larry Shifman and Steve Russalesi; and members of administration and faculty, Mr. Harold Butterworth, Mr. Roy Modin, Miss Carlene Coomer, Miss Nancee Tonner, Mr. Albert Weissbach and Mr. Edwin Willard.

Bits 'n' Pieces

On December 11, 1966, the VHS Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Margaret G. Leonardson, performed a holiday program at the Montclair YMCA. Some of the selections were: "To Us a Child is Born" by Bach; a Spanish composition by Parker and Shaw called "Fum, Fum, Fum"; and "Cantate Dominus" by Pietroni.

This year, the choir elected officers: Al Marinaro, President; Tom Kovaric, Vice President; Elaine Gradone, Secretary and Diane Nugent, Treasurer.

The VHS Art Club traveled to New York City on December 12, after school. The purpose of the trip, under the direction of Miss Nancee Tonner, art teacher, was to view the elaborate holiday decorations on Fifth Avenue and at Rockefeller Center.

The French Club recently held its annual Christmas party, which included speakers, refreshments, and singing. A Swiss girl spoke on how Christmas is celebrated in Switzerland. Marcia Dixey told of her trip to Europe this summer.

Danny Kraft, Club President, then spoke to the club about future plans. In the spring, another party called "April in Paris" will be held.

The Class of 1970 held a fund-raising activity different from those conducted by freshmen at VHS in the past. Under the direction of Miss Harmon and Ted Loewenthal, Class President, felt tip pens were sold to the student body.

Debators Win Two; Change Club Policy

Four members of the VHS Debating Society participated in the first debating conference of the year December 9 at Summit. The team triumphed twice. President Richard Seltzer tied for third highest debator. Others attending were Bruce Cohn, Elena Randazzo and Jason Stemmer.

The club recently made major policy changes and now emphasizes debating practice and skills at meetings.

Nebulous Warren Report Requires Re-Investigation

by Richard Seltzer

Three years ago President Johnson appointed the Warren Commission "in recognition of the right of people everywhere to full and truthful knowledge concerning the events." Today the American people are confused. Not only is there bewilderment about the events surrounding President Kennedy's assassination but also concern that a group of responsible men in government could have issued a report that raises so many contradictory questions.

In recent weeks, an unprecedented number of books have been published which criticize the Warren Commission. Not one but many new theories have arisen concerning the identity of the murderer, his background, the weapons used, the source of the shots, and the motives for the crimes.

A theory which has received wide publicity concludes that the shots were fired from a grassy knoll far from the Texas Book Depository. Many witnesses to the assassination testified that they heard the shots and saw white smoke from that grassy knoll, but no real answer was ever offered by the Commission.

Photographs in Secrecy

Other theories also seem logical and well-documented, but the Warren Commission has again chosen to say little in rebuttal. Perhaps one of the most shocking incidents of the case concerns the vital documents from President Kennedy's autopsy. These photographs have been placed in secrecy until the 21st century by command of the Kennedy family, although the exact governmental authority that allows this group to do so is still to be discovered. Certainly no one desires to see those pictures strewn across newspapers in a yellow journalistic manner. But except for the Chief Justice, no other members of the Commission have been allowed to see the documents. Because of the doubts over the number of bullets fired, the pictures must be seen.

The labeling of all criticism voiced against the report as "irresponsible" will not re-establish the good name of the Warren Commission or bring the full truth into the open. Only a full-scale re-investigation of the charges and the events themselves will. The American people deserve that much.

More Participation

Chairman Advocates Assembly Variations

To the Editor:

It is encouraging to see that The Fairviewer has taken an interest in improving a school activity that pertains to the entire student body. Lack of interest during assemblies (resulting in sneezing, coughing, and sleeping spells) has been a problem embarrassing to both the performer and the assembly committee. There is no question but that something must be done to alleviate this situation.

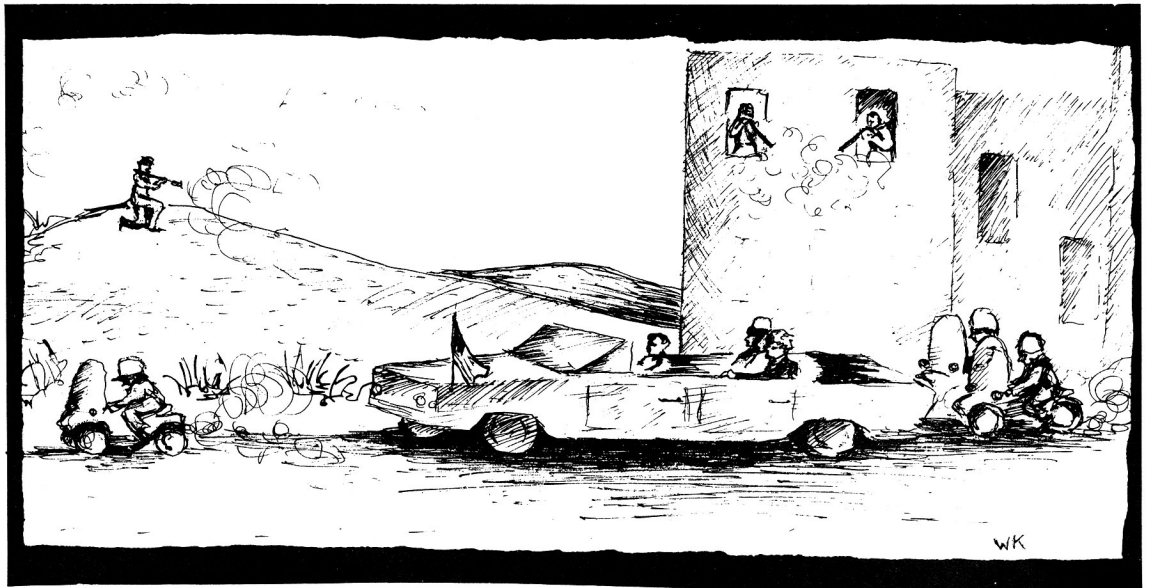
Perhaps the most logical explanation of this problem is that this year, as in previous years, students have had absolutely nothing whatsoever to do with the selection of assembly programs. Because of this situation, the Assembly Committee has conferred with the President of the Dramatics Club in an attempt to create assemblies that would be more interesting for the student body. Plans have been made for at least one Dramatics Club program in addition to the annual play preview. This assembly will

include a series of one-act plays and dramatic readings.

The President of the Student Council has been asked to bring the idea of a student talent show before the council. Suppose try-outs for a student talent show are announced. Twenty different acts show interest. Of these twenty, a student-faculty committee will choose eight finalists by means of audition. These eight will appear in an assembly and present their acts to the school. The following day the student body will vote for the best act. The winners will then represent our school in the Suburban Conference Talent Shows.

These attempts are a start towards better assemblies. Cooperation among the Assembly Committee, the Student Council, and, most important, the student body will result in a consistently interesting program of assemblies to be presented to, not forced upon, the student body.

Barbara Kaye, Chairman
Assembly Leader



Unpopular Asian War Arouses Malicious Criticism of President

by Mike Sherry

For the past two years, the popularity of the man elected President of the United States by the greatest plurality achieved in the history of this nation has been plummeting. The unfair criticism by the American people has been the direct cause of the drop.

With the shock of the Kennedy assassination, the American people united behind Lyndon Johnson. But as the shock melted into a mild form of disbelief, the public realized that they had lost the only royal family that had lived in the White House in the twentieth century. America had enjoyed being represented by the elegant and sophisticated Kennedys. And then they discovered the U.S. image being created by a long-faced, drawing Texan who seemed completely void of either elegance or sophistication

Youth Criticize LBJ

President Johnson has been criticized for what has been vaguely termed his "lack of credibility." The meaning of this term probably refers to the inability of the public to believe the President—he says one thing one day ("We will not bomb North Vietnam") and does the opposite the next. But this nation is at war and President Johnson is a war president. He cannot take the liberty to outline the U.S. war plan and thus satisfy the Ameri-

can people. Besides suffering from his position as a war president, Johnson suffers from the disproportionate influence of the youth in America.

First, the younger generation cannot identify or sympathize with the President. Second, to the younger generation which tends to dissent, to criticize destructively (eg. The Fairviewer, 1966) to attack bitterly and idealistically, the plight of Johnson—with his pleas for peace and escalation in the air—is a most inviting target. Lacking experience, however, the young generation's attacks lack realism and constructiveness.

President Inherited Problem

President Johnson obviously acted too hastily in the Dominican "Crisis" of 1965, and he is delaying now in the tax and inflation problem. But presidents are little more than mortals with efficient staffs and these same four year kings can also err. For example, Kennedy erred in the Bay of Pigs and Eisenhower lowered national prestige with

the U-2 Affair. But the Vietnam War is one issue that cannot now be decided as Johnson's mistake. First, President Johnson was handed a time bomb wrapped with Christmas seals. Unfortunately for Johnson, the bomb has exploded in his hands. It was not he who decided to go to war; it is he who is trying, almost begging, for piece. Secondly, the Vietnam War is one of those issues that cannot be judged now. Years must pass, the future situation and their influences must be considered, and only then can the U.S. role be assessed. A historical perspective of time is needed to judge the situation.

The role of dissent in a democracy is quite important; however, there is no need for abusive condemnation of the American leader.

The Fairviewer wishes each and every one of its subscribers a healthy and happy holiday. But remember—vacations are times not to forget studies but further them. May you come back ready for an exciting New Year.

The Student Voice

Question: What do you think of a required dress code at VHS or a list on the length of a student's hair?

David Bristol '67 —Long hair and odd dress are manifestations of rebellion against authority. Increasing this authority will only enlarge rebellion, but if there is nothing to rebel against, odd dress and long hair become unnecessary. Therefore, there should be no dress code.

Ken Krasner '68 —Restricting long hair is ridiculous. It in no way will hamper learning, and, to assert that it will is absurd. If there is a dress code it should be applied to teachers.

Mike Sherry '67 —The individual has the right to wear his hair and his clothes any way he wishes. Long hair, however, generally reflects a desire to be noticed and a craving for attention. With many long-haired (hair that flips in the back and reaches the shoulder) students, the unruly head-grooming serves as a sign: STOP AND NOTICE ME. These students should be noticed and possibly given a pacifier to show that they are really loved.

Doug Muter '70 —It's interesting the way the school is acting about it. Mr. Willard makes the kids with the long hair wear suits, so they look more dignified. This long hair, at least at VHS, makes a boy



look like anything but a non-conformist.

Russ Muter '69 —I feel that boys' hair should be long. Long hair looks good on boys. I think the school should have nothing to do with long hair or short hair. The boy's parents should decide whether he should have long hair or not.

Chris Schifano '70 —First of all, if common sense were used, this question of opinion would be nonexistent. Long hair or short hair—what's the difference? If people took into consideration the more important characteristics of people, those that really matter, this feud over boy's long hair just wouldn't be. Long hair will not change a person's good qualities that are often overlooked if a few locks of hair are too long.

Selfish Aims Hurt Council


To the Editor:

If you have been to a Student Council meeting, you may have noticed nothing being accomplished. There are two reasons for this failure: 1) the marked lack of co-operation between the representatives of different classes, and 2) the dropping of numerous proposals without sufficient discussion.

The seniors are the most guilty. Just because they are graduating soon, they must not hinder the projects of the council. If the council would spend five minutes discussing a proposal, they might be able to change it sufficiently to make it benefit the school. For example, the proposal to have an interclass sing was almost immediately dropped. With more discussion, a project such as the one used during half-time at the Thanksgiving Day game by Caldwell might have been formulated.


Representatives have an obligation to the homeroom they represent, but they should decide the course of action that would best benefit the school.

Louis Seagull



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Mr. Palmer works on "The Sound" with Al Kaplan, Q. E. D. bass player.

Writer-Arranger Palmer Produces Original Sound

A popular freshman English teacher, hidden by mild-mannered outer garb, possesses a talent unknown to the majority of the student body. Mr. Harry Palmer, who is presently working toward his Master's degree in English Literature at Fairleigh Dickinson by doing his teaching internship at VHS, has written and arranged music for professional groups.

While attending Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee, the recording capital of the world, Palmer grew interested in popular music. His interest was aided by his brother-in-law, a professional Nashville musician who does recording sessions with Elvis Presley, the Everly Brothers, and more recently, Roger Miller. Palmer's fascination with popular music continued in Boston, where he attended Eastern Nazarine College. He often worked as a guitarist behind the many groups in the Cafes of Harvard Square in Cambridge and Charles Street in Boston.

"The Sound"

In his final year in Boston, he met the son of a Columbia Records vice-president, who had the identical interests. Together, they worked with new groups, writing and arranging music. Palmer has been searching for a young, creative group of musicians to express "The Sound" he has been working on. "The Sound" is popular music in unusual time signatures, creating a folk-rock sound expressed with a jazz feeling. Basically, it is not original, but there is a unique creative feeling Palmer has added, following the example of progressive jazz artists such as Dave Brubeck.

Palmer contends the public is now ready to accept his new sound, something that couldn't have been done two or three years ago. He feels the listening public is more sophisticated today than when Elvis rocked with "I Wanna Be Your Teddy Bear!" At that time, progressive groups like the Association and the Blues Project would not have had the

avid following they possess now. When he leaves Verona High, he hopes to continue his schooling and also this musical interest. The Q.E.D. may be the group to express his sound. He feels they will be able to cut a record in the near future. It's only a matter of time.



Kesky Sposs takes a whirl at street construction.

Kesky Has Comment On Road Repair Job

Last year a new idea swept Verona High School. This innovation, termed by its originator as the "Obstacle Course," was an instant hit among participants. However, the concept was nothing new at VHS. Variations of it, particularly in the boys' lavatories, have existed here before, but the incorporation into the curriculum of the practice of eluding strategically placed articles made it official.

And who says that Verona High School contributes nothing to the community? In the best tradition of the student-police relationship in Verona, the town has picked up the craze with the Linden Avenue obstacle complex.

However, many who do not attend Verona High School protest that this newest extension of the fad was originated only with the pleasure of school-bound drivers in mind. These objectors believe that since the operation was begun in the Fall, following the

Council Debate Rates As 'Comedy of Year'

Any VHS student may ask to be dismissed from study hall to attend a Student Council meeting. It seems odd that so few students take advantage of this liberty, in view of the hilarious farcical mock of government that one of these conclaves presents. A recent meeting, for instance, featured a heated debate resolved after fifteen minutes of fruitless argument by a statement from a mere representative.

For some unexplained reason, this meeting began almost as if something might be accomplished. This conjecture was, of course, false. Following some amusing dialogue (Student: I'd like to say something about the computer dance. . . Official: Wait until it's brought up under old business. (A pause.) Okay, under old business, I have the computer dance problem. Any. . .), the Junior Class President was introduced. He spoke on why the juniors, rather than the Student Council, should be allowed to conduct and reap the profits from a computer dance.

Debate Is On!!

The two SC officials then de-

bated with him at length over who said, asked, and/or did this and/or that first. These responsible, elected officials continued this burlesque until a mere representative stated that the Council's purpose was to aid the school's classes, and thus the juniors should be allowed to run the dance; this suggestion was met with overall approval, and the reigning SC official said, "Well, okay, if anything comes up, we'll worry about it later."

The SC is allotted only 46 minutes a month for meetings, and the remaining fifteen minutes were devoted to more worthwhile discussions—including "Should we or should we not have Coke machines in the halls?" and "What happens when 'later' comes and we have to start worrying?"

Leaf-burning: Controversy

At a recent meeting of the Verona Council, a perspicacious solution to the leaf problem was voiced by Councilman Walter McKinley: "I say burn leaves. Years ago people burned them and there wasn't any problem. They add a pleasant aroma to the fall season. . . Pretty soon there will be requests for the borough to cut lawns in the summer."

Mr. McKinley seems to believe that as long as any practice generally considered harmful has one redeeming feature that appealed to him in his youth, it is worth continuation.

If all the councilmen had similar sentiments, one might expect them to have reacted thusly:

Boyhood Recalled

Councilman #1: "I agree! I would like to propose the town discontinue snow removal on Verona's streets. When I was a boy, I used to love sledding on the ice, and the snow gave such a wintery feeling."

Councilman #2: "And I'm against Verona's present water source. The water tastes awful, and it shouldn't be that difficult to find a spring of some sort. When I was a boy, I always drank from one. It gave me a springy feeling."

Councilman #1: "And if we remove ice and snow from the road, they'll want us to wash their dishes and do other household chores. Besides, I think the snow looks pretty on the road."

It is somewhat significant that when the Council was placed under fire by the citizen audience, Councilman Samuel France begged, "Please don't raise any embarrassing questions."

You see, when he was a boy. . .



Jaycee Loesch at work.

Jaycee Loesch Merits Citation

Verona High School's faculty honors were recently enhanced by the election of Mr. Albert H. Loesch to the pages of "Outstanding Young Men of America."

This publication, issued annually to honor distinguished men from ages twenty-one to thirty-five, is sponsored mainly by the Jaycees. Mr. Loesch himself is vice-president of the Hasbrouck Heights chapter of this service organization and was "Jaycee of the Year" of that chapter for 1965.

A graduate of Montclair State College and presently working towards his Master's degree in Administration and Supervision, Mr. Loesch is a member of several organizations other than the Jaycees, such as Epsilon Pi Tau, an international honor fraternity for industrial arts and vocational and technical vocations, the Suburban Essex County Industrial Arts Association and the New Jersey Industrial Arts Association. His teaching career has also involved him in the Verona, New Jersey, and National Education Associations.

Varied Interests

Mr. Loesch's interests include an extensive classical music library, a beagle puppy named George, and bowling, besides a small collection of oil paintings. His most absorbing interest, however, is automotive work, and he spends a great deal of time repairing and tuning engines.

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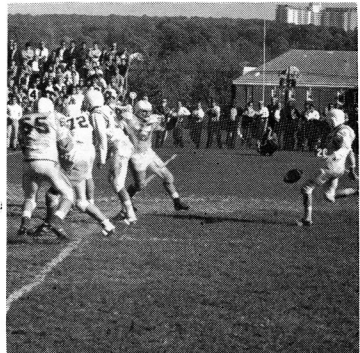
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Gridders Complete Slate By Losing Two Contests

Verona High School's varsity football team closed its 1966 season on a disappointing note, losing two games to compile an 0-8 record. In their most recent games, the Hillbillies were beaten by New Providence 43-0 and Caldwell 59-6.

Against New Providence, Verona fell 43-0 despite several



Bud Hart punts for Verona in S.C. encounter.

serious scoring threats. In the first period Verona moved to the Pioneers' 15 yard line only to have their drive stall and lose possession on downs. The Hillbillies saw later attempts at scoring falter at the New Providence four yard and 13 yard lines. At the close of the first period, it appeared that Verona had played almost even ball with the Pioneers and trailed 6-0. But a 19-point second quarter broke the game open as New Providence took a 25-0 lead in the second half. In that second half the Pioneers added 18 points to close

Frosh Show Fine Ability

Despite the disappointing records compiled by the freshman football and soccer teams, many players on these squads displayed outstanding ability which will undoubtedly benefit future Verona teams.

Frosh Football

The freshman football team, recording a 1-5 record, was led in the backfield by quarterback Norman Liedtke and Glenn Oliver, the frosh's leading ground gainer. Chris Courtney, Jerry Perl, and Jim Schartley were mainstays on the line.

Frosh Soccer

One of the main reasons for the soccer team's 1-4-2 record was the fact that the freshmen were forced to play most of the season without their four top players: Mario Bossi, Nick Hill, Craig Levinsky and Dave Olsen, all of whom displayed enough ability to be elevated to the junior varsity squad. Wendell Murray, Lewis Seagull and Paul Ericson played good ball for Coach Bob Graham all season.

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out the scoring. Eighteen points by the Pioneers completed the scoring.

Verona's final game was the 28th annual Thanksgiving Day classic with Caldwell. The Chiefs evened the series at fourteen wins for each school by trouncing the Hillbillies 59-6. It was the largest point production and largest margin of victory in the history of the rivalry.

Caldwell scored three touchdowns the first three times it had the ball, and later added three touchdowns in the second quarter to bring the score to 38-0 at the half. After Caldwell again tallied, sophomore quarterback Bud Hart threw a 67 yard touchdown pass to Bill Osun for Verona's only score of the day. Caldwell added two fourth period scores to give them their final total of 59. The loss was the eighth of the season for Verona and it brought the Hillbilly losing skein to 23 games.

Top JV Effort: Tie With Mems

Verona's JV football team, playing only three games this year, compiled an 0-2-1 record. The lone tie was a 6-6 game played against Cedar Grove.

Lose Initial Game

In their first match, the JV gridders lost 14-0 to Summit. Verona had several sustained offensive drives but was unable to score. The Hillbillies next encountered New Providence, and were again beaten, the score being 27-0.

The Hillbillies closed their season with a 6-6 tie against Cedar Grove. Verona's score was the result of a Bud Hart to Tony Aquila screen pass. Although they had several additional scoring opportunities, the JV's were unable to produce the winning touchdown.



Bruce Wands and Jack Bescherer (left) and Paul Levinsky and Steve Hess (right) thwart Morris Knolls' attacks.

Fifth In Decade

Hillbillies Down Two Opponents To Gain State Divisional Crown

Under the coaching of George Stiefbold, the Verona High School Soccer team won its fifth state championship in ten years. This feat was accomplished when the Hillbillies registered victories over Tenafly and Morris Knolls, 2-0 and 1-0, respectively, in the state tournament.

Face Tenafly

Having finished third in the Suburban Conference, the Hillbillies were a fired-up team as they entered the first round of the tournament against Tenafly at Passaic Valley. Despite slippery footing not usually conducive to consistent play, Verona managed to mount constant pressure on the Tenafly defense. Steve Hess hammered a shot into the nets early in the game for an apparent goal, but the score was disallowed because the ball had gone out of bounds before the shot. With three minutes gone in the second quarter, Hess finally received credit for a marker when he took a pass from Gordon Price and converted it into the

game's initial score.

Verona continued to dominate the action throughout the remainder of the game. Midway into the third quarter, Hess picked up his second point of the game, an assist, when he fed a perfect pass to Lenny Klehr who banged the ball into the nets for a 2-0 lead. The Verona defense stopped Tenafly cold with goalie Morehouse having to make only eight saves to notch the shutout.

Move Into Finals

With this victory, the Hillbillies earned the right to meet Morris Knolls in the finals. On November 19 at Livingston, the Hillbillies faced a strong Morris Knolls team which featured Anti Kilpi, an exchange student from Finland who had scored 39 goals during the season. But Verona's well-balanced team contained the Hornet attack and came away with a 1-0 victory.

Verona started pressing immediately, keeping the ball constantly in the Morris Knolls' half of the field. With only eight minutes gone in the game, the Hillbillies registered the only score. Hess took a pass from Lenny Klehr, evaded a defender, and left-footed a shot into the corner of the goal.

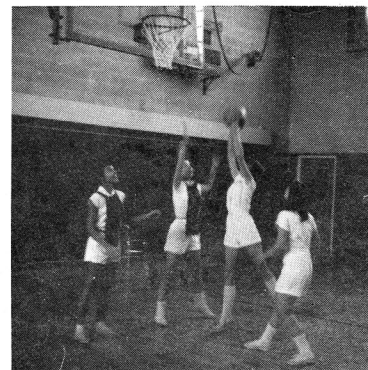
Apply Pressure

Verona applied pressure for the rest of the half but could not add to the 1-0 lead, despite a shot by Jim Eenson which hit the Morris Knolls' goal post. In the second half, a rare lapse by the Hillbilly defense allowed Morris Knolls to mount a serious threat to the Hillbilly shutout. The Hornets' center breezed in on Morehouse on a clean breakaway. Ed waited until the last possible second to leave the nets in a well-timed dive for the ball, forcing the kicker to miss the shot.

Verona had another tense moment when Morris Knolls had a free kick just to the left of the goal mouth. The scoring attempt was frustrated by the Verona defense which managed to clear the ball from danger. Verona successfully controlled the ball in

the game's final minutes and the contest ended at 1-0, to give Verona the championship.

Particular credit for the victory must be given to Dan Rowe and Bruce Wands, who double-teamed Kilpi to hold him scoreless for the first time all year, Ed Morehouse, who recorded the shutout, and Steve Hess and Jim Eenson, who applied constant pressure to the Morris Knolls' defense. Their combined efforts when added to those of the remainder of the team, were enough to bring Verona the Group II crown.



GAA Begins

Basketball tryouts for interscholastic girls' team were held on Tuesday, December 6. Two interscholastic teams were formed, freshman-sophomore and junior-senior squads. A basketball club will soon be formed to enable all girls to participate intramurally.

The Gymnastics Club, under the direction of Miss Carleen Coomer and Miss Wendy Meyers, meets every Tuesday and Thursday mornings. All members have started using the mats for tumbling and stunts. Miss Meyers explained that these activities are being used as preliminary warm-ups to prepare the girls for later work on the apparatus.

Speaking Out

by Art Pryde and George Martini

Six members of Verona's State Championship soccer team have received plaudits for outstanding play this season.

Tri-captain Dan Rowe represents Verona on the first team All-Essex County and first team All-Suburban Conference. Rowe, a half-back, was the hub of the Hillbillies' defense this past year.

Steve Hess, Verona's leading scorer and also a tri-captain, was likewise chosen on the first team for both the county and conference squads. Hess was the team's "take charge" man, and displayed excellent leadership.

Benson All-Conference

Although tri-captain Jim Benson's number of goals dropped off from his junior year total, he was a valuable cog in the Hillbillies' attack. His crisp passes often set up goals, and he was the team's best dribbler. For his efforts, Benson was selected as a first team All-Conference and third string All-Essex performer.

Ed Morehouse, the goalie, performed well this past year and earned a first team All-Conference spot and also a second team All-County position. Morehouse was injured early in the season and missed the first four games, but he still managed to record eight shutouts. Two of these valuable shutouts came in the state tournament.

Skip Chesnut and Paul Levinsky, juniors, both received honorable mention for the All-Essex County selections, as did Gordon Price.

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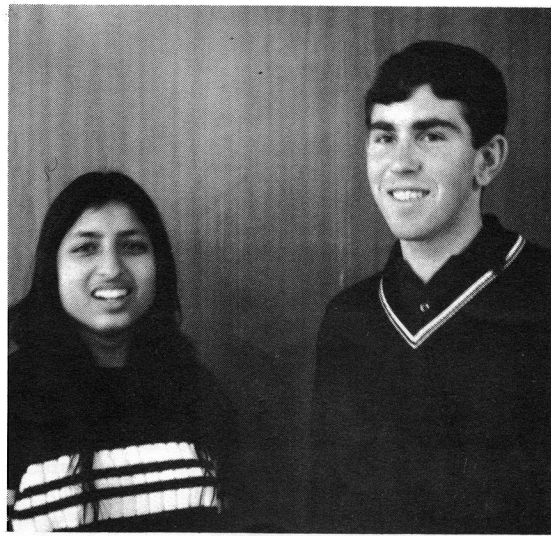


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Delegates Discover America



In honor of the World Youth Forum delegates from India and New Zealand, flags are presented (left) at panel discussion assembly on January 18 (right).



Verona High School has begun to resemble a miniature United Nations, with six foreign students from five different nations attending classes here and staying at the homes of Veronaites. These students, delegates from the World Youth Forum and exchange students from the Open Door Program, participated in a panel discussion assembly on January 18 and will, with other exchange students from the metropolitan area, participate in the upcoming International Weekend on February 3-5.

The two World Youth Forum representatives at VHS are Michael Keys of New Zealand, whose host is Pat Connell, and Sunita Oberoi of India, who is staying with Wendy Rader. The Open Door students are Vicki Behncke of Chile, staying with Roz Liberman; Maria Monzón of Columbia, whose host is Joan Grissing; Monica Roeschmann of Chile, staying with Barbara Jaffe; and Nora Wolfzun of Argentina, staying with Barbara Kaye.

Panel Discussion Assembly

Pageantry introduced the World Tribune panel assembly as two additional flags were brought forward and the national anthems of New Zealand and India were played. Forum delegates Sunita and Mike, with their hosts, and VHS seniors Barbara Kaye and Michael Sherry, participated in the discussion, moderated by guidance counselor, Anthony P. Iuso.

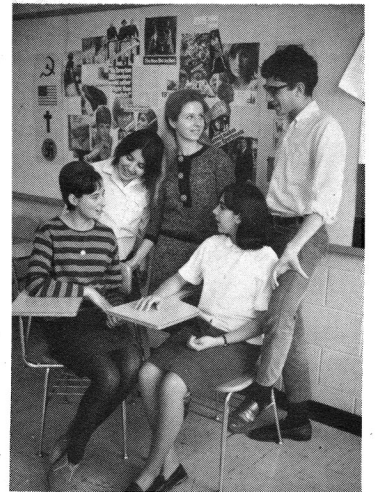
All questions were aimed at either or both guests by the Verona panelists or Mr. Iuso.

Among the first questions asked was how each delegate was chosen. Sunita had to write an autobiography, an essay and be interviewed at the Indian Education Ministry. Mike's experience was similar; he wrote two essays for his country's Education Ministry and was interviewed in the capital, Wellington.

Sunita and Mike Tell Customs

On the subject of dating, the pair's answers differed greatly. In India, Sunita explained, there is no dating and none needed because of the custom of parentally-arranged marriages. Mike, however, believes that dating customs in New Zealand and the U.S. are much the same.

Both Mike and Sunita described their school programs during the



South American students chat with Editor Kaplan.

program. Mike revealed that higher education costs less for the New Zealanders because of the country's more socialistic practices, while Sunita discussed the more rigid teacher-pupil relationship in her nation. Although Mike found the U.S. much as he had imagined, Sunita said she found Americans more friendly than she had expected.

Meridians Hold Weekend

February 3-5 is the International Weekend, when thirty South American and European students, here as part of a ten-week stay in the metropolitan area or under the auspices of the American Field Service, will stay with VHS students and participate in several social and educational activities.

Friday night there will be a closed party for the guests and their hosts, with the theme of "Seven Seas." Saturday, the students will join in a panel discussion in the Verona High auditorium and that night will attend a party limited to themselves and Meridians members. A brunch in honor of the foreign students will be held on Sunday morning.

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Five Teachers Leaving Verona High; Shockney, Howell To Take Sabbatical

February, 1967, will mark the departure of five teachers from the Verona High School faculty. They are: Miss Mary Alice Shockney, Miss Anna V. Howell, Miss Mary Lou Miller, Miss Anne Welham and Mr. Harry Palmer.

Miss Howell, VHS senior guidance counselor, and Miss Shockney, English IV instructor, will be taking a half-year sabbatical to travel from February until

Meridians Project

Bundle Days Aid Neediest



Meridians Joan Grissing and Larry Levine and bundle.

The lobby of VHS was the site of "Bundle Days for Appalachia," sponsored by the Meridians on January 12, 16, and 19. Larry Levine and David Stetson are co-chairmen of this project, which collects old and used clothing for the Appalachian poor.

The organization in charge of the drive is the "Save the Children Federation" of Tennessee. They will distribute the collected shoes, sweaters, pants, dresses, and other used clothing which is still in good condition to children and their families in Southern Appalachia.

"Our drive has been very successful," said Larry Levine, speaking of the recent clothing drive. Students and teachers as well as citizens of Verona were asked to contribute to the worthy project.

September. They will spend their first month touring the Mediterranean area by ship, stopping at such places as Athens, Egypt, Lebanon, Sicily and Tangier. At the port of Lisbon in Portugal, Miss Howell and Miss Shockney plan to leave the tour and fly to London. From April until the end of July, they will be traveling in the British Isles, visiting literary spots in England and Scotland.

Will Visit Schools

The teachers plan to attend performances at theaters in London and at the Shakespeare theater in Stratford. Miss Howell also expressed a desire to inspect such famed schools as Oxford and Cambridge Universities in England, Trinity College in Dublin, and the University of Edinburgh in Scotland. On July 12, these teachers conclude their

Kovaric Earns Science Award

Senior Tom Kovaric has been awarded the Verona High School Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award for 1967. This award is bestowed for high scientific aptitude.

Tom was selected for the award by Mr. Axel Johnson, chairman of the science department; Mr. Roy Modin, chemistry teacher, and Mrs. Susan Sarle, physics teacher. Mr. Willard, VHS principal, explained the basis of selection, saying, "The Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award provides recognition for the senior student with the highest scholastic standing in science subjects."

Tom represented VHS as a sophomore in 1965 at the Fairleigh Dickinson Science and Humanities Symposium. Last summer he attended a National Science Foundation course in organic chemistry and biology at Bucknell University.

All winners of the Bausch & Lomb Award are eligible to compete for science scholarships at the University of Rochester. The award is presented in 8,500 high schools across the United States.

trip around the Isles and board the Queen Elizabeth sailing to N. Y.

After six and one-half years of history teaching, Miss Anne Welham will attend New York University full-time to obtain her Masters' degree in history. Aside from these studies she has no definite plans.

Upon departure, Miss Mary Lou Miller, geometry teacher for three years at VHS, plans an April wedding. Miss Miller's fiancée, Dr. Maximilian Walten, was originally from Virginia, and is currently stationed in McClellan Air Force Base, Sacramento, California. The future Mrs. Walten will join him there. After the wedding Miss Miller plans to teach in California.

To Return Next Year

Mr. Harry Palmer is leaving after teaching at Verona for half a year. In the future, he plans to complete requirements for his Master's degree at Fairleigh Dickinson University. Next year, Mr. Palmer will be back as a regular member of Verona High School's English Department.

'J.B.' Cast Announced

After much anticipation, the parts of this year's school play, Archibald MacLeish's "J.B.," have been announced. Mr. Zuss will be played by Bob Wiren; Mr. Nickles, Jon Marchant; The Distant Voice, Mitch Rabinowitz; Sarah, Marcia Dixcy; and J.B., Ken Olinger.

Others in the cast include Rebecca, Cindy Brown; Ruth, Jean Vadeboncoeur; Mary, Melissa Morrison; David, Dan Antolick; Jonathan, Jim Jacobs; Bildad, Stanley King; Zophar, Jim Scherling; Eliphaz, Tom Kovaric; and Mrs. Adams, Nancy Kaplan.

Completing the cast are Jolly Adams, Ellen Straus; Mrs. LeSure, Elizza Weitz; Mrs. Murphy, Mary Ann Sheets; Miss Mabel, Janis Hersh; Mrs. Botticelli, Pat Russo; and Girl, Gail Kesselman.

Relief Prints Decorate Hallway; Sales Benefit School, Students

Displaying the art abilities of students at VHS, the art department, under the direction of Miss Nancee Tonner, sponsored its first showing and sale of relief productions beginning on January 6.

The sale continued for four weeks with part of the proceeds used to buy an original print for the school and the remainder going to the artist. The prices of the prints on sale, ranging from \$3 to \$7, were determined by their size. The prints were made by creating a raised surface of wood or linoleum or by placing materials on cardboard.

Because of the success of this showing, future projects will be displayed and put on sale, Miss Tonner said.



VHS students admire artistic prints.

Tribute to a Teacher

The aim of education, according to Sir Eric Ashby of Cambridge University, "is not to teach great truths, but rather to teach truth in a great way." One would have to look hard to find a teacher who practices this axiom more ardently than Miss Anne Welham.

Few students who heard Miss Welham talk on her experiences during a trip to Israel will ever forget that assembly. Nor will they easily forget the Herald Tribune Forum Assembly in which she served as panel moderator. Even more memorable are the daily classroom discussions which ranged over a variety of subjects and helped make history and current events an interesting reality, rather than a stagnant textbook subject and a study of far away places.

best in the many informal discussions she had with students before school, after school, and whenever opportunity arose. Miss Welham was never without time for such discussions, even if she had to make time.

It is for these reasons, and because Miss Welham in addition to being a teacher was always a friend to all her students, that I wish to express my deep regret that Miss Welham is leaving the faculty of Verona High School. Many students will miss the sharing of ideas—both serious and light—and the liberal attitude with which Miss Welham helped them to appreciate new and different ideas. Miss Welham would be a valuable member on any faculty and her absence will be sorely felt.

Stanley K. King, Jr.

Above all, Miss Welham was always ather

Officers Rebut Recent Criticism Of Council

To the Editor,

It is unfortunate when an editor of a fine high school paper resorts to using his position as a weapon to make personal attacks. Mr. Hershoff's article in last month's Fairviewer was literally littered with misquotes and mis-

information. As responsible, elected officials (to quote his article), we feel we are obligated to state the true facts rather than the amusing figments of Mr. Hershoff's imagination.

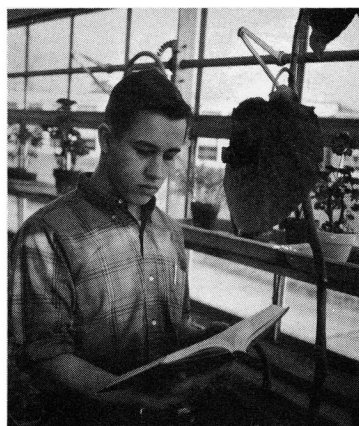
He stated that it seemed odd that so few students leave study-halls to attend council meetings. Obviously he is not aware that more non-council members have attended meetings this year than in the past three years.

He criticized the discussion of installing a coke machine. Perhaps it was not the most important of topics but the question was raised in a homeroom and certainly deserved consideration.

We realize that anyone who holds office must face criticism. When we assumed office, we were prepared to do so. Let us, however, make this criticism constructive, rather than sarcastic, to aid the council and ultimately the school.

If Mr. Hershoff is genuinely interested in the council, he will attend a meeting when our President presides. We think he will find few faults.

Donna Micklus
Paige Ulrey



Nann To Read Roethke Poems

Senior David Nann has been selected to represent VHS at the annual Poetry Reading Contest of Rutgers University to be held on March 4.

Competing against students from over sixty schools in the state, Nann will read poems by Theodore Roethke: "Moss-Gathering," "Dolor," "Open House," and "The Waking." Roethke's poetry, according to Nann, is rich in the imagery of earth and growing things.

A panel of English teachers selected Nann from a group of seniors at the try-outs held on January 13.

Conservatives Lack Faith In Constitutional Rights

by David Bristol

In his recent quasi-State-of-the-Union message, Gerald Ford committed an unforgiveable misdemeanor. He sarcastically called for the courts to protect the innocent as well as the accused in reference to recent court decisions which he claims made criminals nearly sacrosanct. Like so many others, Gerald Ford refuses to understand the

basic principle of American justice—innocent until proved guilty. In our laws, there is no difference between the accused and the innocent. When the court forbids the coercion of the accused by the police, their purpose is not to protect the criminal but to spare the innocent.

Soviet Justice

The Soviet Union and other totalitarian societies have legal codes based on the idea guilty-until-proved-innocent. Is it not then strange that prominent Americans, such as Mr. Ford, are advocating a Soviet system of justice? However, we can rest assured that the Republican leaders are not advocating a communist take-over. Why do Americans desire a change in court policy? Americans believe in the myth of the infallible cop. It is impossible for many to imagine that the cop they looked up to as a hero when they were five could possibly drag them down to the station-house for an act which they had never committed.

The Constitution makes provisions both for the safety of the Union and for the protection of individual rights. If these conservatives, constantly calling for more faith, would only have some faith in the Constitution the nation will survive.

The Ideal

The following are excerpts from the recently formulated "Philosophy and Objectives of VHS" which the faculty has prepared for the Middle States Evaluation to be held in December, 1967. Student responses to the philosophy may be found on page three.

Role Of Teacher

The teacher must realize that his role in education is secondary. He is not the learning process but only an accessory to it. Learning takes place inside the student, and if there is such a thing as teaching, it is only a shorthand referent to the concept of stimulating learning. Though we value individuality in our students, we cannot teach them individuality. We can only encourage and allow for diversity of thought and opinion. We can only encourage responsible, honest, critical thinking. By lecturing, organizing, and participating in discussions, giving assignments and testing achievement, the teacher is actually only structuring the student's environment in such a way that the student may learn.

Such a concept of education assumes, then, that education is "An individual's personal discovery of meaning." Thus the teacher, though dealing primarily with groups of students, must continually strive to individualize his methods and curriculum in terms of each student's academic potential, interests, and needs. Furthermore, the teacher must take into account all phases of student growth. He should recognize the special interests of the teenager—the personal and social dilemmas, and the moral quests of young people—and take them into account and even use them periodically as primary factors in the learning process—as important perhaps to the end result of intellectual achievement as the teacher himself.

For these reasons, every teacher should try to familiarize himself with the maturity of youth and the nature of learning. Much research bears out, for example, the crucial nature of the student-teacher relationship in the learning process. Teachers who are fair, understanding, and accepting in their relationships with students have proved to be more effective in and out of the classroom than teachers who are aloof, domineering, and authoritarian. In addition, although research has not proved the superiority of one methodology above all others, "methods which provide for adaptation to individual differences, encourage student initiative, and stimulate individual and group participation are superior to methods which do not."

Role Of Student

Some might well think that it is the role of the student to come to school and be taught, and that this is all that need be said about the student's function in the life of the school. Such is certainly not the belief of the staff of Verona High School.

Students are a living force in the activities of any school. If a sizable element of a student body is recalcitrant, hostile, lazy, or thoroughly unintellectual, the school will not be a success, regardless of the energies and enterprise of the staff members. Students may not be roused very effectively from any of the above states of mind simply by a few actions of the staff in rearranging procedures or altering the curriculum. Instead, the students themselves must be reached. They must be made to see how the success or failure of the entire enterprise carried on within the school depends on their energies, their cooperative spirit, and their sense of responsibility. They will see this most clearly if they are given substantial responsibilities both inside and outside of the classroom.

Youth in our society must be made to understand that the areas of freedom properly allowed to students in a high school are directly dependent upon how close they come to the level of responsible maturity and wisdom which the adult world around them has been able to attain. . . Ideally the Student Council of a public school in a community such as Verona should have rather broad powers and the co-curricular organizations should be managed in very large measure by the student members.

Academic Freedom

Perhaps the entire matter of academic freedom can be summarized by the following. It is much easier to defend the idea of permitting a free discussion of sensitive topics such as sex mores or the merits and demerits of the communist ideology in a mature class than it is to defend the same practice in an immature freshman group, most of whose members typically reach their conclusions by amazing short-cut pathways, rather than by following the more arduous pathways of reasoning and deliberation. It follows that the idea of sanctioning academic freedom *carte blanche* throughout the high school is difficult to defend, and that, instead, one should adhere to the principle of selectivity.

Were there no particular disadvantage to the practice of avoiding sensitive topics (or to giving them mere cursory attention), the matter could end here. However, any course which delves very far into the realm of the humanities or the social sciences and which skirts around the controversial topics soon becomes a sad parody of true education. Instead of constituting a shining example of modern education, it approaches revival of the Victorian Era. Certainly this type of education does not amount to an adequate preparation for life in a society such as ours, where a man is left "on his own" to make the many decisions which spell the difference between his success and failure. The case could be put even more strongly. It could be argued that without the freedom to exercise personal judgment in the selection of a wide variety of teaching materials to meet the academic, social, and moral needs of his students, the teacher cannot teach. Without the freedom to express and explore any academic, social, or moral problem, the student is severely crippled in his attempt to learn.

A'la New York Times


With the sudden change of the weather and the melting of the ice, we must remember that our studies must continue to soar with the temperature and our minds must not melt away with the snow. Behind the drifting clouds is a light—

a light of learning. Although the weather often impedes our schoolwork, in the future let us try to employ the elements in an attempt to better our already high scholastic achievements.




Nonexistent "Comedy Debate"

Mr. Hershoff then described the "comedy debate" concerning the Computer Dance. He implied that a debate was senseless. Yet the President of the Junior Class felt it important enough to have handbills printed and distributed among the representatives. The arguments these handbills presented were invalid. How can there be a debate when one side is able to offer only equivocal support of its claims? After the meeting, the Vice President of the Junior Class approached us and



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The Reality: Is VHS Utopia?

Goals Of Philosophy Worthy But Unfulfilled

by Diana Noll

According to the VHS Philosophy, in order to prepare students for useful lives the teacher's role is to "structure the students' environment in such a way that the students may learn," not to stuff knowledge down students' throats. The successful teacher reaches out to each student, trying to form a relationship with him. Such a philosophy is excellent and accurately describes many VHS teachers. But there are still those to whom education is only the dissemination of facts. Insofar as this is true, the Philosophy will remain an ideal until all teachers try their hardest to practice what they have preached so well.

Responsibility Needed

It is the student, however, who is hurt when the best conditions do not exist, whether they are the teachers' fault or his own. The Philosophy explains that the student body is responsible if their state of mind is "recalcitrant, hostile, lazy, or thoroughly un-intellectual." The faculty, then, must convince the students that the school's success rests on their mature behavior; the faculty must demonstrate this by grant-

ing students as much responsibility as possible, including a powerful Student Council.

Here, however, is the widest difference between idealism and reality at VHS, for the current student apathy is the direct result of the student's lack of a sense of responsibility for his school. Whether in the Student Council, other clubs, or class work, many students seem to feel they are not responsible to anyone for anything. The situation is worsened when some teachers fail to live up to their responsibilities of returning papers when promised and arriving at classes on time. Much work must be done, by both students and teachers, to bring the school up to the Philosophy's ideals.

Concerning academic freedom, the Philosophy concludes that on the high school level it must be selective according to the students' maturity, a stand close to present reality. In practice, however, the teacher's personal feelings more than the maturity of the students often determine the extent of academic freedom.

On balance, the philosophy represents a foreseeable and worthwhile goal for VHS.



Student Suggests Varied VHS Faculty, Midyear Change In Subject Teachers

by Elena Randazzo

The Philosophy of the School contains statements dealing with understanding, truth, individuality and familiarity as components of the learning process. Educators of Verona High School have correctly put forth these ideals as goals for VHS. Had I written the philosophy, I would have concentrated more on individuality. The formation of a more well-rounded faculty would encourage more original thinking among the student body.

Verona High School teachers throw maybe one or two contrasting impressions of basic tenets at a student's mind. How can a student mold himself if he is given such limited information about people and ideas? Very few teachers include contrasting opinions on the main points of their subject matter. Some instructors strictly dictate, "This is the book we are using. These are the ideas you should know." The result should be obvious; a paper mâché replica of the teacher, a hollow puppet of the student.

To alleviate this problem I suggest a faculty composed of exact opposites—people who are

unusual and captivating—people belonging at opposite ends of a personality spectrum. I am not referring to rabble rousers, saints, and dictators, but rather to an instructor who might assign a term paper on reincarnation or another teacher who would instruct students to write a poem on microscopic topics. Project variations could extend to writing one's own novelette in English class. An assignment of this sort would do more to rouse the interest of students than would a discussion of abstract ideas.

In the classroom, a yoga-practicing gym teacher might bring out hidden qualities in some of his students. Having an existen-

tialist or a "left winger" on the faculty would certainly stir most minds to a point where thinking is essential. Similarly, when the opposite kind of teacher, "the parliamentarian," plots his destiny and yours by the asterisks in a text-book, you either try to understand his point or disapprove it.

To avoid any strong influence, however, of one or another of the extremists, the student would change teachers in the same subject twice a year. In this way, the student is in a dilemma. Surrounded by opposites, he is forced to choose for himself. He is on the road to becoming an individual, an original thinker.

Faculty's Objectives: An Unworkable Myth

by Richard Seltzer

The utopia described in the "Philosophy of VHS" simply does not exist. But those who describe our school as a "learning vacuum" shield the eyes from the excellence of a great many teachers. It is the faculty which makes or destroys the school, for from them must come the direction and inspiration which make up education.

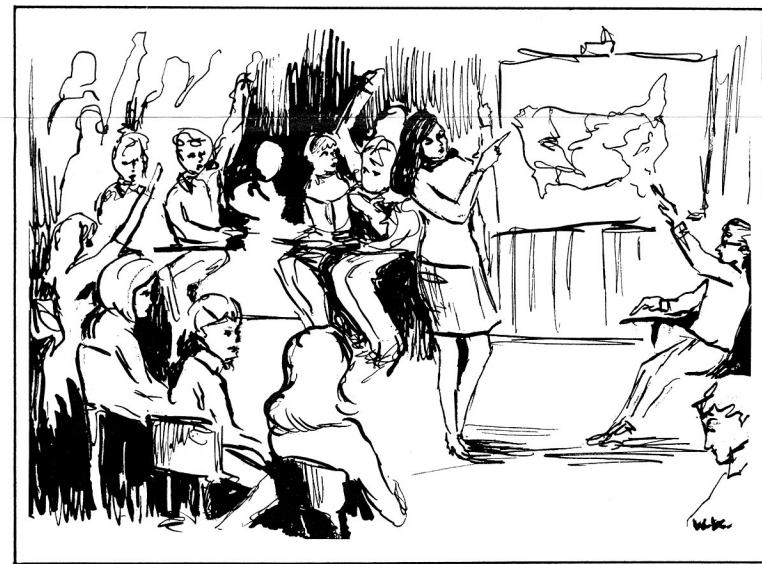
Verona's faculty is deeply dedicated, but in some cases far too stagnant in educational ideas and practices. A willingness to employ "last year's" teaching methods pervades too many classrooms. Informality is anathema to many teachers, with rigid teacher-student relations predominant. Certainly faculty and students are not equal, and discipline is necessary when a line between the two should be drawn. But a teacher must not only exist for a student as a classroom lecturer, but as a real person with whom intelligent discussion can be held. Only with truth and respect can a real student-teacher relationship be established.

Too often student critiques of schools tend to damn their every feature. Such is not my purpose. The other side of the school must be examined. No poor experience can overcome the feeling of communication established by some teachers during their classes. This is true education, and is not that rare in VHS. Portions of the

faculty are constantly trying to create a vibrant course, not one that will continue cut-and-dried for three to four years. The use of A-V materials, debates, and inside jokes, though far different, tend to enliven a teacher's class.

Verona High is known for its many excellent extra-curricular activities and no negative critical comments are needed. Hours are spent by both teacher and student in attaining a polished product, be it a game, dramatic play, or concert. Because of common interests and purpose, compatibility and respect between teacher and student has been achieved. If these same qualities could be engendered in regular classroom time, an answer would be found to one major VHS problem.

Education in its highly idealistic state, is a search for truth. Realistic educational experience cannot consist of constant philosophical discussions of abstract qualities. But in every subject a type of "search for truth" can be made, be it for proper historical sources on the Founding Fathers, interpretations of ridiculous poems or the future of math in society. Education at VHS or any other school can never reach a philosophic perfection. But if continued progress is to be made, a realistic look must be taken at the realities at VHS.



Poor Student Status Creates Inability To Effect Idealistic Ends of Philosophy

by Jason Stemmer

After reading Mr. Willard's Introductory Letter to the Students or the recently written Philosophy and Objectives of Verona High School formulated by the faculty, a student's reaction would probably take two forms—frustration or laughter. Frustration because the main objectives of both these writings do not coincide with what occurs in practice and laughter because the faculty and administration believe it does. Actually, they use outmoded methods of discipline, enforce arbitrary rules and regulations, and most importantly, seek to maintain the traditionally low status of the student.

Discipline may have its place in learning, yet it has taken the wrong form. The Philosophy states, "if there is such a thing as teaching, it is only a shorthand reference to the concept of stimulating learning." Yet many teachers base their class around discipline. Their desire for the "quiet" class encourages day-dreaming and whispering and merely handicaps learning.

Teaching becomes catching day-dreamers and whisperers and releasing harsh sarcasm and punishment on the "offenders."

Guiltily Until Proven Innocent?

The rules and regulations of the administration are as misused as discipline in the classroom. Going beyond its purpose of preventing anarchy, it strives toward mechanization of the students. The student finds little sympathy when he walks into the classroom a second after the bell rings. Interrogated regarding smoking, students are assumed guilty until proven innocent (boys' rooms are used for other purposes). Sentences of 7:00 or 7:30 a.m. detention are given out by the administration and faculty for every "crime" from tapping a spoon in cafeteria to not completing a homework assignment.

The Philosophy states, "the staff is dedicated to giving students as many of the responsibilities and freedoms the adult citizenry enjoy." Yet it is doubt-

ful that a teacher would tell a class of adults "if you're going to act like babies, you're going to be treated like babies." When Mr. Willard recently scolded the student body for talking in assembly, he didn't take into consideration the possibility that their reason was as undeliberate as the faculty's. A teacher would not likely remove an adult from an assembly for clapping in recognition of a speaker's statement because he felt it was "uncalled for." Thus, students are scapegoats for embarrassing situations and a pacifier for the faculty's moods.

The faculty and administration of the school cannot hope to achieve their objectives if they cannot bring themselves to change their old-fashioned ideas about the student. With new texts, modern equipment, VHS still represents the little red schoolhouse, with the hickory stick replaced by punishments and threats much more impressive to the modern day student.

'Nothing's Happening, Baby'

Verona is presently a "dead" town. Teenagers with nowhere to go hang on corners and at Bond's. In these poems, seniors Joe Turro, Bruce Galgano and Larry Hershoff voice their sentiments.

Mild town.
Quiet little town.
People of boredom
And drab lives.
I think:

Why am I here?
I'm here because I'm here.
Here is where I am because
I am.
I think:

Mild town is here.
It is here because it is mild;
Mild and drab and little.
Little because of
The little-little people who do
not live.
Drab—not live—Drab.
It is here. It is drab.
Drab because it is here.

I am here.
I am becoming
Drab.

by Joe Turro

16 miles to Tony's,
70 to Seaside Heights—
School of suburbia:
Youth, vulgarity, and petty
crime—
Escape of everything but
real escape.

People meek, humble, and not
understanding;
Boredom, pregnancy, Peyton

Place;
White Castle, Bond's—all-
slobs—
Consistent stereotyped
vegetables.

Little girls pink and white,
Dancing school, padded
brassieres—
Push, push, grow up, date,
marry—
Peaches and cream to everyone.

Madras shirts, leather jackets—
What difference does it make?
Everyone's the same.
What difference does it make?
by Bruce Galgano

Friday.
At night.
In the quiet town
The streets are not dead.
They are alive
And yet dead.
Walk the avenue.
Meetcha behind Bonds.
Wanna drag me?
At the hall
The Spot's full.
Whatcha want me to do—
Play checkers
With my sister?
Saturday night:
All the same.
Maybe tonight
We'll walk round again.
Hey that sign'd look neat
In my room.
Joe, where'd you get the
Colt?
Friday Saturday after
Friday Saturday after...
I'm not playing checkers
with my sister.

by Larry Hershoff



Much-Needed Recreation Center Would Revive 'Dead' Borough

The above montage stresses one central theme—what teenagers do in Verona: nothing much. Anyone knows that there is very little to do in Verona.

This problem came up at the January 17, 1967, town council meeting, when the Verona League of Women Voters submitted an 18-page study proposing a town recreation commission. The accent in this study was on recreation for all age groups. The Fairviewer believes that the teenage problem is of greatest concern, and this page deals with teenage problems and opinions, and proposes a solution to this and other problems.

An English project by seniors Sherry Brody and Debbie Nathan was brought to the attention of the Fairviewer; this study suggests the use of the plot of land that the Bloomfield Avenue school building now occupies for a recreation center. The Fairviewer feels that this site would be an ideal location for such a facility. (see "Junior High Land...")

Verona is presently involved in "floating" a bond issue of approximately \$450,000 to finance the construction of a pool. The pool project is a self-liquidating undertaking; that is, the memberships and other proceeds will, in this case within 25 years, provide funds to redeem the bonds. The pool is a valuable facility, but it can be used by only a fraction of the towns citizens for only about 2 months each year.

Another Bond Issue in 1970

The Fairviewer believes that by 1970 the town should "float" another bond issue to finance the construction of a town recreation center, whether it be a renovation of the Bloomfield Avenue building or a completely new building on that lot. The important objective is to get a recreation center. This project would be self-liquidating, through memberships, admissions, rentals charged for use of the buildings by other groups, and proceeds of various activities held at the center. And it would be a year-round facility that could be used by all of Verona's citizens.

Mr. Pete Dickerson, Director

of the Verona Recreation Department, showed this reporter a brochure from the Rockville Center, L.I., Recreation Center, where he worked before coming to Verona. This center offered courses in judo, bridge, golf, etc., sponsored various groups and leagues for all age groups and offered teenagers a place to go all week long. Mr. Dickerson said that this center was "a fantastic success" and that he would "love to see Verona undertake such a sensible and valuable project."

The Fairviewer believes that the Verona Recreation Center should offer the teenagers the following activities: a jukebox, dances on Saturday nights with live bands, a lounge with a TV set, ping pong, a gym for bas-

ketball and other sports, movies, and other programs. (see "The Student Voice.")

Town Study Begun

Verona definitely needs a recreation center of this type. There is presently a town committee headed by Councilman William Venner looking into the recreation problem. The Fairviewer feels that a Student Council committee should be formed to aid the borough government, and to be involved in the planning of the center. As R.W. Glover said in his poem, "It Isn't Your Town—It's You," "When everybody works and nobody shirks, You can raise a town from the dead."



Junior High Land Seen As Site Of New Rec Area

The building in this picture is the Bloomfield Avenue building of the Henry B. Whitehorne Junior High School. This structure is on the plot of land that the Fairviewer proposes to be used for the Verona Recreation Center.

The building, started in 1878 and completed in 1902, consists of 3 floors with 12 rooms. The third floor is unusable as a school because it has only one stairway and wouldn't meet the present fire regulations, and is used as a storeroom. The other two floors are in what Mrs. Hilda Jaffe, President of the Verona Board of Education, termed "reasonably good condition" for their present use as

H.B. Whitehorne classrooms.

The building and the land (approximately a 100-foot by 170-foot plot) presently belong to the Verona Board of Education. However, Mrs. Jaffe told this reporter that the Borough of Verona will officially gain title to the property as of February, 1970. According to Mrs. Jaffe, there is presently a plan for this property to be used as an annex to the municipal building. The Fairviewer maintains that, centrally located in Verona, this property should be the site of the Verona Recreation Center. If funds are not available for the razing of this building and the construction of a new building, this structure should be renovated for use as the center.

The Student Voice

How does Verona rate as a town, and what can a recreation center do to better Verona? In an attempt to answer this question, The Fairviewer had a liberal sampling of 125 Verona High School students answer the following questionnaire:

1. Verona is a () lively () average () dead town. Additional comments.

2. What do you do on an average Friday or Saturday night? Do you stay in Verona or go out of town?

3. If Verona had a recreation center with a jukebox, dances, etc., would you attend? Do you think most people would attend?

4. If Verona had a recreation center, what activities would you want it to offer?

Answers to the first question conclusively turned thumbs down on Verona. Out of 125 questionnaires, 88 (70%) were marked "dead," 37 (30%) were marked "average," and 0 were marked "lively." It is interesting to note such recurrent additional comments as "It stinks!"

Question number two received a more varied response. About three-fourths of the students said

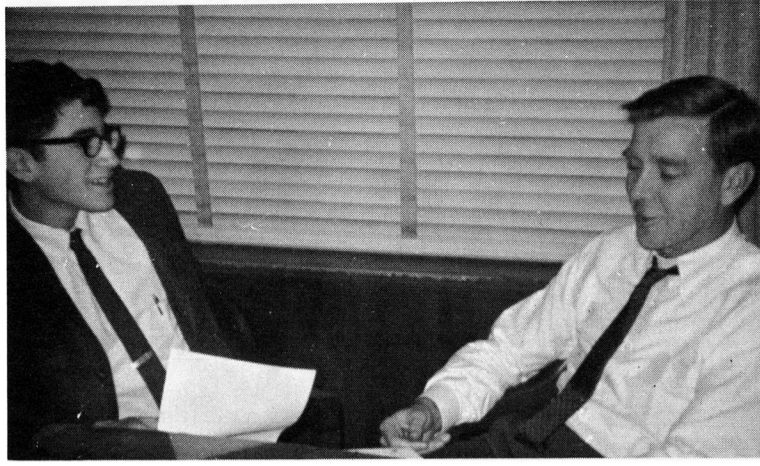
that they went out of town on weekends. Some responses included "I usually go out of town... anywhere to get away from here," and "If I can get out of Verona on a Friday or Saturday, I am more than thrilled." The one-fourth who remained in Verona commented that "I stay home and get bored," and, "I stay in Verona only because I have no way of getting out."

Rec Center Favored

Responses to the third question showed a strong opinion in favor of a recreation center—9 out of 10 students indicated that they would attend a rec center, and 8 out of 10 said that most people would probably attend.

Question number four brought many suggestions such as dancing, live bands, refreshments, basketball, ping pong, movies, billiards and various games. One reply typifies the Verona teenager's outlook—"...Almost anything."

The Fairviewer feels that this poll was most conclusive—Verona is a dead town with virtually no provisions for teenage life. Verona needs a recreation center and it should have one.



In the Board of Director's Room of the Washington Bureau of the New York Times, Stan Kaplan confers with Russell Baker.

Washington Conference

Observing Baker

A plump, gray-haired woman paused by the receptionist's desk on the fourth floor of the Washington Bureau of the New York Times. She turned to the switchboard operator. "Did you see the paper today? Never saw so many fillers in all my life!" She laughed quickly and shook her head, enjoying the joke.

The operator folded his hands behind his head and grinned knowingly. When the phones had stopped ringing, the operator swung around from the switchboard. "Well, sure hope he comes. You know these guys—they go out to lunch for a couple of hours, then go running off somewhere. Ask him where he went? No one asks any of them where they're going." By "them," he meant the editorial writers for the New York Times, the newspaper generally regarded as one of the two or three great ones in the world. The largest of any newspaper, the Washington Bureau of the Times contains over thirty reporters and correspondents, including such editorialists as Tom Wicker, James Reston, C.L. Sulzberger, and Russell Baker.

Stringbean—Devil

Baker, the Rabelaisian critic of the editorial staff, writes a thrice-weekly column aptly titled

"The Observer." He grimaces when reminded that he "looks like a stringbean and writes like a devil," epithets given him in the Times' ads for the paper. Not exactly a stringbean, the lanky, six-foot one inch Baker does not resemble any stereotype of a newspaper man. With youthful energy he bounded up the stairs leading to the executive offices, pushed away his typewriter and relaxed in the chair behind his desk. Books, mostly recent historical ones, were neatly arranged on four long shelves. "Today's a writing day for me. Sometimes takes me over an hour-and-a-half to write the first paragraph, but the rest comes easily."

Having enrolled at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Baker left in early 1942 to serve in the Navy. When he re-entered the University after the war, he first began to appreciate the "learning opportunity." He then realized adults did not have all the answers. Above all, he discovered it was possible to argue with professors.

Unsure about a career, his interests were in English literature and writing. In his senior year at Johns Hopkins, he was editor of the school newspaper. His English professor had been sending samples of his work to The Baltimore Sun throughout Baker's career at Johns Hopkins. The professor arranged an interview with the Managing Editor of the Sun, who offered Baker a position as a police reporter with a starting salary of \$30.00 a week. It somehow didn't seem fitting for a man who had received his degree in English Literature upon graduating in 1947, but Baker, who thought "nothing was fun" at the time, accepted.

Times Grabs Baker

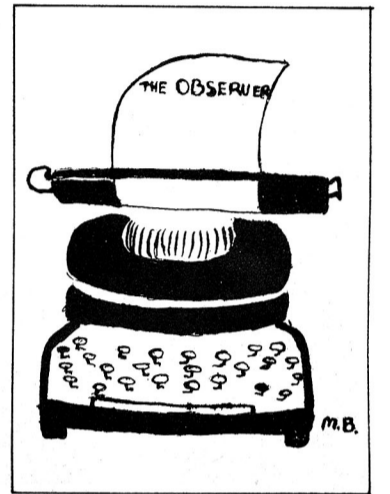
Following two years of police reporting and general assignments, he became a rewrite man for one year in 1952. Growing increasingly bored, he was offered the position of London correspondent for the Sun at the age of 27 and served for two years. In 1954, just 30, he received a letter from James Reston, then staff-correspondent for the ever-watching Times, asking him to leave the Sun and come to work for the Times as White House Correspondent. Unreluctantly, he agreed.

He covered the "dull presidential campaign of 1956," followed the State Department and the Senate. Things perked up in the heated 1960 campaign race, but by 1962, Baker "knew every word that would be said on Capitol Hill." The Managing Editor of the Sun then offered him a carte blanche column if he returned to Baltimore. Having considered the idea for a column before, he almost agreed immediately. The Times, hearing of the Sun's offer, countered with a similar opportunity. The only restriction would be that the column had to be something different since there were already two straight editorial writers concerned with national and international problems. Baker, preferring Washington, agreed. Editorial page editor John Oakes suggested the

column be called simply, "The Observer," creating an identity for Baker.

What Side Is He On?

In his 800-word essays, Baker explores varying topics, from Vietnam to an All-American football team composed of politicians. Having always disliked tightly cramped journalism, Baker's column treats "basically serious problems with new perspectives, avoiding dogma." His philosophy is to attack conventional subjects by handling them in a subjective manner. Often after reading the column, it may be difficult to determine what side he really takes. Thus, the reader must examine and determine the point of the editorial for himself. As the Times'



ad correctly reads, the column is "amply punctuated with gentle but biting humor." Baker feels the point of editorials need not be "crusted in barnacles," and terms his own column an "amalgam of writing."

Writers he has especially admired include E.B. White, Thurber, S. J. Perlman, and the Englishman, Anthony Carson. He is concerned, as these men were, with the ambiguity of life and subjects to which definite answers cannot be obtained. He refuses to call his column satire or to admit there is a clear-cut purpose for his column. Baker deplores the trait of many editorialists which he terms "Afghanistanism." These editorialists easily find remedies for distant problems but find it difficult to solve local ones. Baker varies his tone; some days it is serious, others witty, pessimistic, or optimistic, depending on his mood. He is presently enduring his winter depression, "the season I hate most."

Observes Fifth Year

Baker is a consistent contributor to magazines, his most recent effort being the January 7 "Speaking Out" column of the Saturday Evening Post. Two collections of his work have appeared in book form: All Things Considered, and No Cause for Panic. "Only my relatives buy them," he confesses modestly. This summer will mark the fifth anniversary of "The Observer." Russell Baker's original editorials have added wit and a fresh perspective to the atmosphere of the New York Times.

S.K.

A Kiwi's Reflections: Pace, Education, Girls

Eight thousand miles away lies a lonely group of islands called New Zealand. Although such distance and circumstance separate my home from the USA, the two countries are more closely associated than most would imagine.

The closeness of our ways of life is a fact that immediately struck me when I entered the U.S. Any American could be just one person taken straight from a New Zealand scene—such is the similarity in appearance and actions between the peoples. Family life as well as many social customs are also exactly the same. A more noticeable difference in the daily life is seen when the atmosphere, pace, and attitudes of living are compared. Here in the U.S., life impresses me as one great bustle, a continual struggle for survival with each and every other human's attempts working against his neighbors. Society in this part of the United States is increasingly dehumanized. In New Zealand there is not this pressure of living, travelling and working.

Our associations with the U.S. have always been of the best. Many American soldiers were stationed in N.Z. during the Second World War and somehow they established good relationships which left a lasting impression of American friendliness. From my observations this impression is definitely true. The American is friendly, approachable and even more hospitable than are the Kiwis.

At Verona there are some innovations which could well be copied in the schools at home. In particular the use of the public address system and home-rooms, the morning newspaper, the Student Council and even more effectual the strict application of school rules on punctual attendance.

These then are a few of my observations in the United States. Other conditions have left a worked impression on me and it is with some misgivings of sorrow that I find a lack of space in this column to discuss—those lovely American girls!

Michael B. Keys

Foreign Delegate 'Joins' Mechanized U.S. Society

My first reponse to America was horrified apprehension. It happened when I discovered something unusual about my room in the Sarah Lawrence Dormitory I had been assigned—there was no bathroom. Then a brilliant idea struck me—maybe the bathroom was another of those American "push button" gadgets. There I was, in the middle of the night, tiptoeing around and pressing every button and knob, hoping a miracle would occur. I finally found that the only thing I had gained for my trouble was a couple of sore thumbs; I thought it might be wiser to give up and go to bed.

Thus began an invigorating four weeks in this wonderful country, where every day brings a store of surprises. Simply — America's

very sense of values is different from those at home. For instance, in India we feel that discipline and respect towards elders one of the most important aspects of school life. There is no dating, and arranged marriages are customary. Our cultures, religions and even our poverty would seem strange to an American.

I was even warned of the "terrible" youth here for that is the impression we have. I can say that I have changed my opinion. The boys are more friendly, but that can hardly be termed a vice. I was nervous at first, wondering how I would be received at Verona High School, but after the first five minutes I knew my stay was going to be a rewarding experience. The friendliness and the welcome feeling is so apparent that now I feel quite a "Veronian" and very much at home.



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JV Cagers Record Win

Verona's J.V. basketball team, composed only of sophomores, has recorded one victory in its first eight games.

Fall to Hanover Park

In their first game, at Hanover Park, the J.V.'s lost 64-35, as Pat Sullivan led all scorers with 17 points. This game was followed by two losses to Glen Ridge, by 72-50 and 64-53 scores. In the second of these games, Sullivan had 19 points and Keith Carlson 16. The Hillbillies won their first game at Millburn by a 49-43 count as Sullivan chipped in with 22 points. The local cagers then fell to Summit, 53-27.

In their sixth game, against a taller team from New Providence, the J.V.'s fell 64-37. The Hillbillies sixth loss came at the hands of Caldwell, 62-46, despite Don Overholser's 17 points. The J.V.'s lost again, this time to Madison, by a score of 63-57. Bud Hart had 20 markers and Overholser 14 for Verona.

VRD Leagues' Structures Set



Seniors compete in intramural action.

Under the supervision of Mr. Pete Dickerson, the Verona Recreation Department is sponsoring an intramural basketball league for high school boys who do not participate interscholastically. The league is divided into two parts, with six junior-senior teams, and four teams in the freshman-sophomore division. The teams will play both regular season and tournament games to determine a champion.

In the season opener, The Children of the Night outthrustled the Doms by a score of 33-23. John Sabates poured in 17 points and Captain George Martini 10 as the Children took their first game. Mike Sherry helped a mite with fine defensive plays. He was slightly praised by his teammates. Dave Kingsburg threw in eleven for the losers. In the second game of the older division the Undertakers trimmed the Good Losers.

Doons Outfight Colts

The Undertakers used their superior height to outclass their opponents. Duck Dikovics tallied 15 points to lead his team to a 35-10 victory. In the third game, the Doons, showing particularly strong play under the boards outfought a fast closing Colt-45 team 27-25.

Play in the freshman-sophomore division was highlighted by the Playboys and Imperials who defeated the Diolistics and Stumpers, respectively. Nick Passaro of the Playboys and Denny Caulfield of the Imperials led their teams to victory.



Ed Morehouse and Pat Sullivan (left) and Art Pryde (right) contribute to 65-45 win over Madison.

Pryde Leads Scorers

Hillbilly Cagers Defeat Two Opponents; Individual Performances Spark Verona

Verona's varsity basketball team has compiled a 2-6 record, including a 2-3 Suburban Conference log, through its first eight games. In spite of this somewhat poor showing, the Hillbillies have received many outstanding individual performances. Captain Art Pryde leads all Hillbilly scorers with a 15 point per game average.

Playing at Hanover Park on December 13, the Hillbillies dropped an 89-64 decision, being unable to play consistently. Bill Anderson and Art Pryde quickly established themselves as Verona's top scorers, registering 21 and 19 points, respectively.

Fall to Ridgers

In their next encounter, the Hillbillies played in the Glen Ridge gym on December 16, and lost 98-73. The taller Ridgers' dominance of the boards was a key factor in the game. Anderson again led Verona with 21 points and senior guard John Landara put in 14.

The cagers again faced Glen Ridge on December 28, at home. Both teams exchanged baskets throughout the opening quarter, and at its end Verona had a 19-18 advantage. In the second period the Ridgers jumped to a 36-26 lead, but Verona's pressing attack eventually cut the lead to

GAA Schedules Winter Activities

The Girls' Athletic Association opened its winter activities with tryouts for its basketball squads. Two teams were chosen to represent the school, a junior-senior team, and a freshman-sophomore unit. The older team had its first game on January 11 against Pas-saic Valley and was defeated 32-18.

Club Formed

In addition to these teams, the G.A.A. has formed a basketball club. The girls have formed into teams and are playing in a round-robin tournament. The main objective of the basketball club is to provide an opportunity for any girl to play basketball for enjoyment.

The G.A.A. is also planning a Sock Hop. The Sadie Hawkins Dance is to be held on February 18 in the gym. Committees for decorating, tickets and publicity are now in progress.

two points with 5:42 to go in the game. At this point, Anderson fouled out, and his departure was a major cause for the 63-55 loss.

Lose to Millburn

Verona opened its Suburban Conference schedule on January 3 at Millburn. The Hillbillies were unable to capitalize on many scoring opportunities and fell 67-60. The cagers recorded their initial victory at home against Summit 40-39. Going into the final quarter on the short end of

a 36-26 score, Verona outscored the Hilltoppers 12 to one, to secure a 38-37 lead. Summit scored a quick basket, but with 11 seconds left, Art Pryde dropped in a two-pointer to win the game.

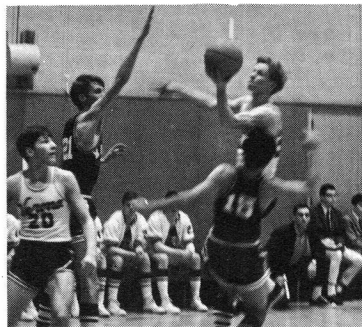
Following losses to New Providence and Caldwell, the Hillbillies played host to Madison, and racked up their first easy victory of the year. Outscoring the Dodgers 17-4 in the initial quarter, the cagers quickly put the game out of reach. Art Pryde once again led the team, as Verona dominated all aspects of play.

Speaking Out

by George Martini

Art Pryde, captain of the varsity basketball squad, has been chosen by coach Doug Gaffney and the Fairviewer as Athlete of the Month.

Art has been the leading scorer for Verona in the first half of the season, registering over 15 points per game for the Hillbillies. Many of Art's scores have come in key situations, guiding Verona to its two cage



Athlete of Month Pryde displays scoring ability.

victories. One such case occurred in the Summit contest, when, with eleven seconds remaining, Pryde scored the basket which gave Verona a dramatic 40-39 victory. In the Hillbillies' second win, against Madison, Art sparked the squad with his 19 points. A seven-point spurt by Pryde broke the game open and led to the win.

But scoring has not been Art's sole contribution to Verona bas-

ketball. Art's hustle and desire in every game have helped him overcome any previous defensive shortcomings and have earned him the reputation of being a consistent defensive player.

When asked about Art, coach Gaffney replied, "Art is a very aggressive ballplayer who does everything possible to avoid losing. It is also quite a tribute to Art that the rest of the boys chose him as captain even though he was unable to play last year due to injury. Even without the experience Art missed last season, he has developed into the team's leader."

Pryde has also participated in baseball, where he has earned two varsity letters, and soccer, despite the fact that he has been intermittently plagued by knee troubles.

Frosh Win Five Under Morris

After six games, the Verona High School freshman basketball team has won five games and lost one. This record has been achieved through the efforts of a balanced team coached by Mr. Tom Morris.

Trounce Millburn

The frosh opened their season by romping over Millburn, 72-36. Bob Goman led the Hillbillies with 18 points. The team's only loss of the campaign was to Summit, with Verona falling 79-39. Two home court victories against New Providence and Caldwell followed. Against New Providence, Jerry Perl scored 18 points in a 73-62 win. Perl and Goman paced Verona in a victory over Caldwell, scoring 16 and 15 points, respectively. Norm Liedtke's 15 points led Verona to its third straight victory, a 52-33 verdict against Madison.

Despite liberal substitution by Coach Morris, the Hillbillies still destroyed Cedar Grove 76-23 at home.

Bowlers Act As Spoilers

Verona High's bowling team is undergoing a rebuilding season. The squad has shown tremendous determination despite tough luck against fast competition.

This perseverance was evident in the first match of the season. Competing against Bloomfield, currently in first place, Verona came within 22 pins of a major upset. The following week, against Cedar Grove, Coach Burguillos' forces notched their first win, 800-779.

Despite a 200 game and a fine series from soph Captain Steve Bushberg (158 average), the Hillbillies fell to Essex Catholic. After dropping the first contest to West Orange, Verona stormed back behind a 203 by senior Jeff (Mammal) Sherman (153 avg.) but lost by a slim margin.

A 200 game by Ochs and an 821 team effort went unrewarded as Nutley blasted a 963 first game. Ochs paced the team with a hot 555, but Verona's record dropped to 1-14.

Senior Larry Hershoff's 204 (148 avg.) stood out as Verona's best score thus far, 887, victimized Montclair. The Mounties rebounded well, copping the final two games. Verona's log currently stands at 2-16.

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Teachers Join Staff; Mid-year Posts Filled

Four new teachers have been added to the Verona High School faculty for the remainder of this school year to fill mid-year vacancies. Miss Marcia Ellinghaus will teach Mr. Palmer's freshman English classes. Mrs. Mildred Hiteshew will teach Miss Miller's Plane Geometry classes. Taking over Miss Welham's World and Modern History classes is Mr. Harold Bursch,

Mrs. Hiteshew attended Wichita State University in Kansas, where she majored in math, and was graduated Magna Cum Laude. A resident of Verona, Mrs. Hiteshew has substituted in Verona, Montclair and Cedar Grove.

Mr. Bursch was graduated from Marietta College in Ohio, where he was a history major. Basketball is one of Mr. Bursch's interests, and he has acted as a scout for the VHS basketball team.

Graduated with honors from Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania where she majored in English, Mrs. Schaeffer has taught at the Kimberley School. She has also been a substitute in the Verona School system.



Mrs. Schaeffer has replaced Miss Shockney for the second semester.

and replacing Miss Shockney as senior and Advanced Placement English teacher is Mrs. Mary Lou Schaeffer.

Masters Candidate

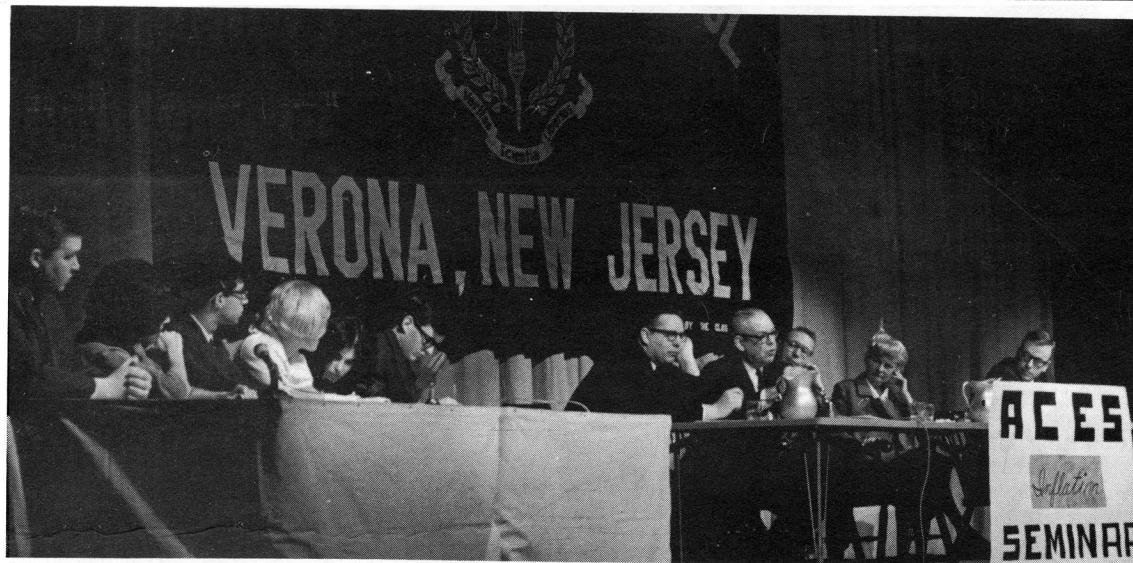
With a degree from Wheeling College and a major in English, Miss Ellinghaus is presently a member of the MAT, or Master of Arts in Teaching Program, at Fairleigh Dickinson University, where she will receive her Master's degree in June of 1967. Miss Ellinghaus did her student teaching at Teaneck High School.

Groups See Productions

Two groups of Verona High School students went to the theatre on Wednesday, February 15—one on Broadway and the other at Princeton University.

The Theatre Club, accompanied by Miss Ann Scheer, saw the musical comedy hit "The Apple Tree," at the Schubert Theatre. Starring Phyllis Newman, the show is composed of three short plays which dramatize the relationship between men and women.

One hundred upperclassmen saw the McCarter Theatre production of "Hamlet." Miss Nancy Harmon, Miss Carolyn Caprio, and Mr. William Jacobs chaperoned the group. Prior to the trip most of the juniors had studied the Shakespearean play in their English classes.



Teacher-Student panel directs questions to ACES Seminar members on February 15

Upperclassmen Attend Inflation Seminar; Panelists Give Viewpoints On Economy

On February 15 the standard VHS day was changed for juniors and seniors. Replacing first and second periods, a seminar on inflation was held in the Verona High School auditorium. The program was planned under the direction of Mr. Joseph M. Pirrello. The program featured five guest speakers. The seminar began with the panel of speakers from the Northern New Jersey branch of Americans for Competitive Enterprise System, ACES.

Leaders On Economy Speak

The speaker, Mr. David R. Jones, Executive Director of ACES spoke about ACES and the workings of the organization before introducing the other speakers. Dr. Helen J. Cooke, chairman of the Department of Economics at Rutgers-Newark talked about inflation from a theoretical and historical point of view, including a discussion concerning inflation and its con-

trol. She was followed by Mr. H. Allen Christenson, second Vice-President of Fidelity Union Trust Company, who spoke about the causes and cures of inflation from a financial point of view; Mr. Richard Lynch, Executive Vice-President of the AFL-CIO, discussed the topic from labor's point of view; and Mr. James W. Riley, Senior Staff Economist of Merck Company, who talked about it from the manufacturing-business man's viewpoint.

Student-Teacher Panel Discussion

Following the speakers' talks

Exhibition in Ridgewood

Art Students Enter Works In Competition

Ten Verona High art students were recently chosen for exhibition in the North New Jersey display of the annual Scholastic Magazine Art Awards Competition.

Those who had their compositions on show at the high school in Ridgewood included John Cruger, Bruce Galgano, Martha Greenback, Gail Kesselman, Wendy Kriedt, Julie Mau, Bill Osmun, John Riso and Bill Skrips. These students were given the opportunity to view their prints and the work from other high schools on Friday, February 10.

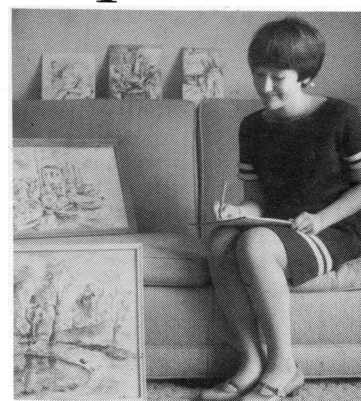
The selected works were entered in the regional contest by VHS art teacher, Miss Nancee Tonner, who originally had the students prepare the works as a class assignment. The ten works were chosen by a panel of judges and will now be among several hundred examples of student art which will go on to be judged for merit awards in the National Scholastic Magazine Art Award competition and may earn anything from an honorable mention to first place.

Breezeway Exhibition

Presently on display in the breezeway are a number of pictures in pencil, water-colors, and pastels by sophomore, Wendy Kriedt. Wendy, who has been doing water-colors and other art work for several years and considers becoming an art teacher, has taken honors in various art student competitions.

a panel consisting of two VHS teachers, Mrs. Rosalind Krupp and Mr. Dennis Buss, and four seniors; Bill Fried, Denise Lally, Nancy Massen, and Bob Rabinowitz; directed specific questions to the speakers concerning inflation. The audience later questioned the panel about such subjects as union dues and the influence of the Viet-Nam war on American economy.

Following the seminar, discussions were held in various junior and senior classes on the worth and content of the seminar.



Sophomore Wendy Kriedt sketches art work.

New Teaching Techniques

Joining 120 selected secondary schools across the United States, Verona High School will participate in national tryouts of experimental curricular materials developed by a project of the American Sociological Association.

These new materials will be used in two-week units in regular social studies courses to test such qualities as interest to students, "teachability," appropriateness to course content, and effectiveness in presenting the sociological perspective.

Along with Miss Jacqueline Bloom, chairman of the Social Studies Department, Mrs. Rosalind Krupp and Mr. Dennis Buss will use the new materials in their history classes.

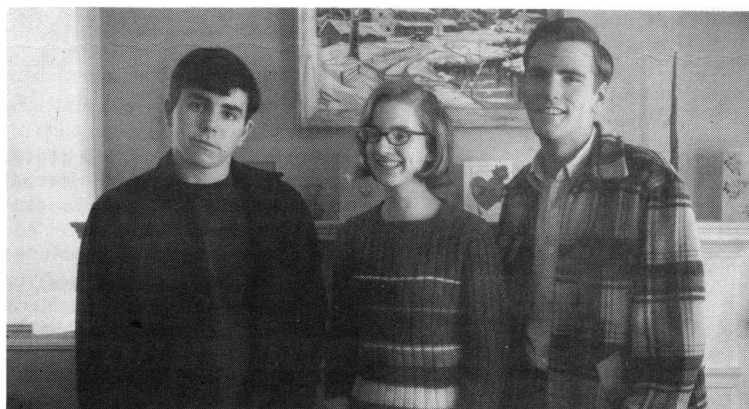
Noll, Sherry, Kovaric: Three Seniors To Speak At Outdoor Commencement

Graduation exercise speakers have been announced by Mr. Edwin A. Willard, high school Principal. The top three students in the class of 1967, Diana Noll, Michael S. Sherry, Thomas Kovaric will deliver speeches at the June commencement.

Top Three Seniors

Diana Noll, number one in her class, has participated in many school activities including the Front Page Club, the Aquarium Club, Greenhouse Club, Biology Lab Assistant, and Future Teachers of America. As an alternate to the Girls' Citizenship Week, Diana represented Verona at Douglass College, where she learned about leadership. In her junior year Diana was elected to the Honor Society and is this year a National Merit Scholarship Finalist.

A participating member in many extracurricular activities, Mike Sherry has taken part in the Dramatics Club, Intramural Basketball, Newscasters, Future Physicians Club, and he is presently editor of the Editorial page of the Fairviewer. In his junior year, Mike was elected to the Honor Society and was a dele-



Chub-Faced #2 and #3 flank #1

gate to the Boys' State Convention. Recently Mike won a math award and is also a Finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Program.

Having achieved a high scholastic position, Tom Kovaric was elected to the Honor Society in his junior year, was a delegate to the Fairleigh Dickinson Science and Humanities Symposium, and received the New Jersey High School Teachers' Chemistry Award. Tom has participated in the Assembly Committee, Economic Investment Club, Per-

spective, and is now President of the Dramatics Club.

These students will prepare their addresses under the direction of Mrs. Mary Lou Schaeffer, a member of the Verona High School English Department.

This year for the first time, commencement will be held outside. At the Senior Awards assembly, the top 10 students will receive gold tassels which they will wear at the graduation. The names of the students graduating with honors will be indicated in the program.

Paper Presents Dubious Awards

by Larry Hershoff

The Fairviewer hereby presents The Fairviewer Awards for February, 1967.

We announce a tie for the Most Promising New Recording Artist Award between Congressman Adam Clayton Powell ("Keep the Faith, Baby") and Mrs. Esther James ("I Have Kept the Faith, Baby").

We bestow the Adolf Hitler Brotherhood Award upon Wayne, N. J. Board of Education member Newton Miller for his dissertations on Jewish attitudes toward educational spending.

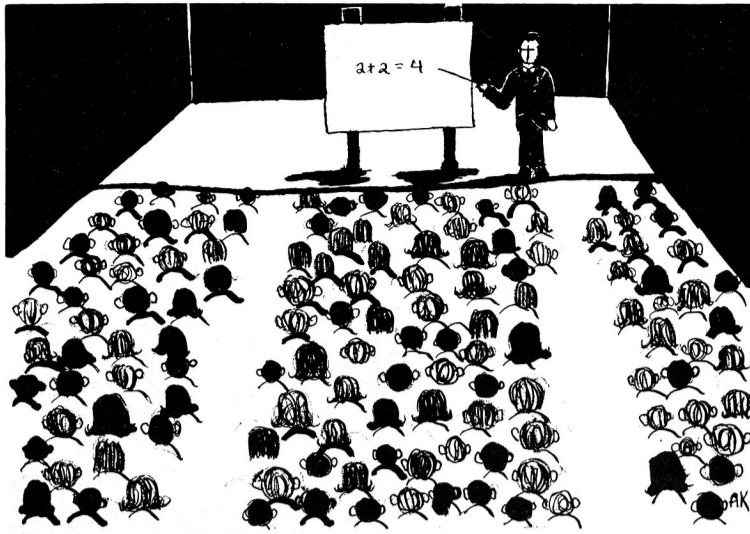
We present our Aid To Education Award to the CIA for its recently announced subsidies (totalling \$3 million) given to the nation's largest campus organization, the National Student Association.

Our Big Brother Is Oglng You Award goes to Miss Pamela Brewer, the 18-year old University of Florida coed who was put on probation by campus officials for posing for a nude photograph in an off-campus magazine.

We give our It's The Thought That Counts Award to the 74-year old Britisher who sent a letter to the Louisville Draft Board volunteering his military services in place of those of his idol, Cassius (Muhammed Ali) Clay.

We bestow our As You Travel, Ask Us Award to the refs who officiated at the Verona-at-Madison basketball game, and who exhibited virtually no knowledge whatsoever of the "travelling" rule.

We present, with best wishes, our Rotsa Ruck Award to any VHS student who might desire to use one of those perennially locked bathrooms.



Budget Defeat Portends Less Fat, Less Learning

by Mike Sherry

By nearly a 3-2 margin, the Board of Education Budget was recently defeated. As usual, the American voter proved his invincibility by sinking this budget that obviously had "too much fat." Looking around our opulent high school, most of us can see many areas from which some fat can be reduced.

First of all, there are too many teachers in the high school. Three Spanish teachers, four math teachers, five history teachers, an infinite number of English instructors, and a huge squadron of specialists in the field of study halls and traffic patrol are enough to fulfill the academic needs of a school the size of Europe. One teacher, aided by the lauded overhead projector, could instruct an entire freshman class in English in the spacious auditorium. The next period, the same teacher could teach English II. In this manner, one English teacher could teach the entire student body within four periods.

In the gala cafeteria, history could be made to come alive within three periods. Of course, some Deweyan critic might argue that the student-faculty ratio would be enormous. But whoever believed that the closer the student-faculty ratio, the greater the understanding? Of course, there is no need for accelerated math classes of twelve students. Math is math, no matter how you look at it. How many ways must you learn to divide five-digit numbers?

With fewer teachers and classes the distributive education students could have a large portion of the building for themselves. In the new wing our future workers of the world could string beads, make lanyards, and mold ash trays, all for profit.

The budget could conceivably be completely eliminated if the administration would look into some proposed money-making endeavors. Detention students, if they do not roll doubles, might pay a dollar to escape their sentence. The bathrooms, which are often closed, may be opened at a price of 25¢ admission.

The Board showed their misguided views when they asked for more money for education. The voters, however, realized that education is not nearly as important as an augmented budget.

International Fiesta Draws Student Fire

To the Editor,

One of the highlights of the school year is the International Weekend sponsored by the Meridians. The purpose of this weekend, as we have been led to believe, is to enable VHS students to familiarize and strengthen relations with foreign students.

There was one aspect, however, which overshadowed the success of this year's weekend and perhaps in part may have de-

feated its purpose. In the past, the dance on Saturday night has been opened to the entire school. In this way more students were able to benefit by gathering with foreign delegates and learning from new acquaintances.

It is understandable that to permit the student body to attend such an affair would require additional funds. We are sure students are willing to pay a nominal fee for such an opportunity.

To deprive interested students from this dance is not only detrimental to VHS students, but also to the foreign delegates.

Gordon Price
Anna Buonomo
Sharon Comiskey
Senior Class Officers.

Album Analysis

A talented group from San Francisco, the Jefferson Airplane, has flown into the metropolitan area with a new LP, Surrealistic Pillow. This record projects a revolutionary sound of soaring vocals mixed with some startling instrumental accompaniments. Unlike much pop music today, the songs, written by the leader, express mature un Dylan-like meanings.

Student Responds To Prejudice in Wayne

by Richard Seltzer

"The Jews are making too much fuss about this. They should have left it alone!" Thus comments a Wayne High School student reacting to controversial Newton Miller, who recently urged the defeat of two candidates for the Board of Education because they were Jewish. It is a feeling which has been echoed by tens publicly and no doubt by thousands privately. It is time to answer the charge.

Many Jews believe in liberal educational spending, while many are economical in other matters. Some Irishmen get drunk, certain Latin-Americans are lazy, and some Scotsmen are frugal. This does not mean that a Jew is an automatic member of the ADA, that an Irishman is a member of the AA, or that a Latin is incapable of working. Generalization is the root of all prejudice and bigotry. When a person is judged solely by his "Grouping," with his individual personality having no significance, prejudice results. It cannot be "blown out of proportion." People cannot become "too excited," nor can their reaction be "too petty." Prejudice is prejudice. Perhaps a more lenient attitude could be adopted if as so many people believe, prejudice is virtually non-existent. It simply isn't so. Strains of bigotry can be heard just as clearly in VHS and other high schools as in Wayne Township. Although this generation has many crusaders for equality, among its members are many who judge on the basis of race and religion. Positive action can and must be taken.

A newborn baby is not prejudiced. His parents and surroundings add that disgusting facet to his personality. It is a very difficult force to counteract, but the school can play a part. Junior high school guidance classes presently consist of watching films of Verona football games and that famous classic "Infantile Reaction." Hard-hitting discussion of prejudice, with the teacher trying to make his students aware of their inner feelings, could begin to wear away at the stereotypes of prejudice. In high school, English teachers could devote time to a study of prejudice, stressing its representation in literature.

Most important, when prejudice comes into the open, as in Mr. Miller's case, it must be emphatically rebutted. We have only to cite the civil rights problem in our country today and the death of the six million during World War II in order to answer those who criticize making a "fuss." Perhaps a "fuss" now will prevent tragedy later.

Reinstate School Patrols, Bring Back Hall Passes!

No power has declined more rapidly than that of the hall pass. It is not uncommon to encounter hundreds of students in the halls, leisurely passing the time of day amidst the halls of learning. Students wander aimlessly to and from drinking fountains, bathrooms, and the library. And no one has official permission. Ah, there's the rub! What has become of the hall pass?

Teachers are often embarrassed to bring up the subject for fear of intense ridicule from the student. Just several years ago, hall passes were honorably esteemed and respected by the entire faculty and student body. Alas! Somewhere along the line of education, the respect has vanished along with the need.

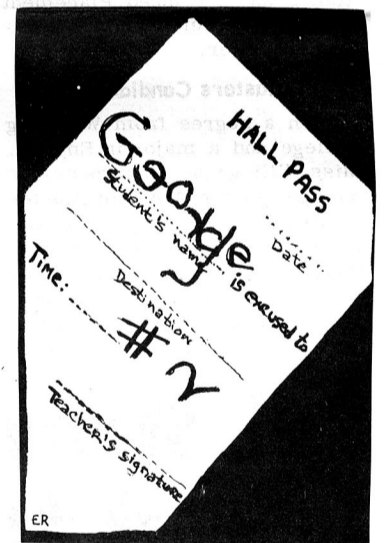
Automated-Teachers

Officially, hall passes are neatly printed on green pads of paper. In heavy print is lettered, "Verona High School." Several lines are provided for the student's name, age, and street address. Space is amply provided to describe the purpose of the hall pass, but rather than write out the eight letter word "lavatory," automation-minded teachers blithely write a number one or a number two, whichever the case may be. From this brevity has emerged the simplest answer: no passes at all.

Thousands of unused hall passes have accumulated throughout the high school, incurring an enormous financial deficit. No effort has been made to cancel the continuous orders, for someone, somewhere, believes the passes are still being employed.

Solution in Past

Obviously, liquidation of the laissez-faire teachers as well as students is not the answer. Where then does the solution



lie? It lies, as most solutions do, in the past. The time is ripe. The hall patrol must be revived. Previously, the student composed organization would check a potential wanderer's pass for proper identification. If all his papers were not in proper order, his name would be written down for punitive measures. When it was discovered that certain students, most definitely a minority, favored certain students and did not take their names, the system was dropped.

But today, the morality of American youth is on the rise. With each day youth is being trusted to a greater degree, e.g. free access to the bathrooms of VHS. Reinstatement of the hall patrol would stimulate this process and would eliminate the hall pass scandal. The cry of "Where is your hall pass" has been ridiculed long enough. It's time to strike back.

S.K.

The proof reading staff of The Fairviewer would like to thank the remaining staff of the paper for not attending the 9:00 a.m. proof reading.

Slump

Nothing is really on the hinge
Life is bright with a rosy tinge
Everything is looking up
You could be down but now you're up
No confusion
No disillusion
All of a sudden things take a turn
From bad to worse they seem to churn
But you don't mind this small hump
It's the beginning of senior slump!

Abby Gail Kastner

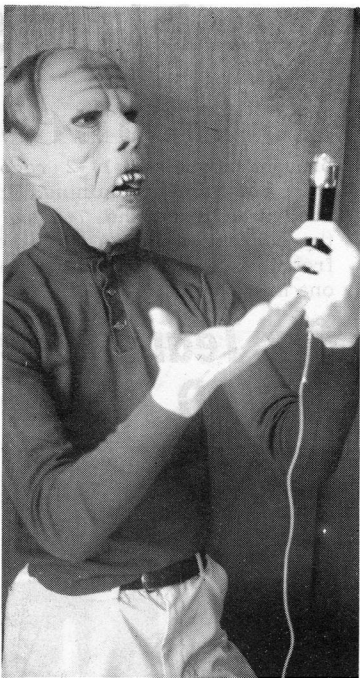


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Kesky passionately belts out new song.

Kesky Sposs Jazzes Up Afternoon Announcements

by Kesky Sposs

(to "McNamara's Band")

Oh, me name is Mr. Willard,
And you'll get a treat to-
day.

I'm gonna start a-reading
honors
Over the P.A.
Now we'll start off our fun
With Algebra I
And stop with English IV.
I'll pause somehow
An hour from now. . .
And then I'll read some more.

There's Brownoser Bob
Who did a job—
On whom, we won't discuss,
And introvert Art,
Who's twice as smart,
And only got B+.

That's all, I fear—
We're dumb this year,
I've no more A's to list.
Oh, well. Who cares?
Push in your chairs.
Thank you, and school's dis-
missed.

or,

(to "I've Been Working On
The Railroad")

I've a note from Mrs. Din-
yell:
"Though you think I'm
square,
I've the power to impel
You and your opium else-
where.
Why not in the lavatories?"
Please, ma'am, no more tips.
Kids, forget her little
stories.
Now, to scholarships:

Juniors, won't you go?
Juniors, better show.
Juniors, take the NMSQT.
If you do your best,
Take more expensive tests,
And win one for \$1.03.



Drummer John Wolke and organist Dave Kingsburg perform at re- cent assembly.

Mario's Immortals

Appearing locally for the past two weeks have been Mario and the Immortals. The quintet has been playing together for the past two years. The band played for over a year as The Intruders, but for the past six months has been known as Mario and the Im- mortals. The boys play the "soul sound" or "Motown Sound" sim- ilar to the music sung by The Temptations or The Four Tops.

Three of the five musicians are Verona High School juniors. The lead vocalist, Mario Baeza, also plays rhythm guitar. Mario was originally from Cuba where he allegedly got his "soul." An- other VHS student in the group is drummer John "Fang" Wolke.

His style is similar to that of the Young Rascals' drummer. Dave Kingsburg is VHS' third contri- bution to the band. "Kingsy" plays the electric organ and elec- trifies audiences with his dancing ability.

The other two members of the band originate from Mont- clair High. Senior Alan Douglas plays lead guitar and writes mu- sic for the band. The final "Im- mortal" is bass guitarist Dwight Pearman.

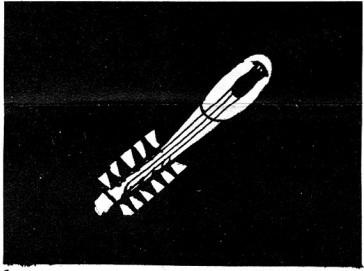
The group has cut a record and it will be released in April. The boys also hope to tour the coun- try with the Motown Revue this summer.

Popular New Rage: Ancient Indian Raga

by Chris Schifano '70

The rage is raga. It is the latest change in the pop world, espe- cially in the sound of the Byrds, Beatles, Rolling Stones, Blue Ma- goos, and the Yardbirds—it is the classical Indian raga which was introduced to the United States by Ravi Shankar and Ali Akshar Khan.

The Indian music form is con- sidered at least 3,000 years old. "Raga," meaning "color" in Sanskrit, is a framework for the melody that is improvised. "Tala," the rhythmic framework for a cycle of beats is played upon the accom- panying drums, called tabla.



tabla, the tanbura, the alap and the jar, Shankar's speciality, the sitar, and Khan's speciality, the saroo, produce delicate plucked sounds which produce the mysti- cal Indian raga.

The Beatles were one of the first groups who picked up this new sound. Beatle George Har- rison played the sitar in their recording of "Norwegian Wood" and later went to India to study

with Shankar himself—an apt example of the interest and following that this new raga is producing.

An Amer- ican musician, Peter Winters, who leads a

folk raga group called The Word, has adapted Indian melody, drone, and rhythm to Western instru- ments. He says, "America is the melting pot of the world. It's the most logical place for a new mu- sical form to emerge." Which is exactly what is happening.

The Student Voice

Should seniors with a certain scholastic average (to be deter- mined by the faculty) be exempt from taking a final exam in that subject?

Janis Hersh—Class of 1969

Usually after a senior gets ac- cepted to a college he will go in- to a senior slump for the incentive study will no longer be present. Therefore, his grades will go down. But if he knew that he wouldn't have to take the exam if he had an A or B average he would work to get the required average and perhaps senior slump would be avoided.

Dale Linnerman—Class of 1970

No, because the final exam is

to see what you have learned dur- ing the year, and just because they got an A or B, it does not mean that they'll remember all the things they have learned.

Margie DeSantis—Class of 1968

If students have an A or B average they know their studies, so they don't need an exam to prove it.

Diana Noll—Class of 1967

Yes, because seniors have worked hard enough in the first three years studying for exams and they should be given the priv- ilege of not taking exams in their senior year.

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Hillbilly duos of Pryde and Sullivan (l.) and Hart and Anderson combine for scores.

Hillbilly Cagers Win Two Of Seven; Tie For Sixth Place In Conference

Verona's varsity basketball team has won two of its last seven games for a 4-12 season record. These two conference wins have enabled the Hillbillies to move into a sixth-place tie with New Providence in the Conference standings.

Following a 61-49 loss to Cedar Grove in which Bill Anderson and Kerry Mucci combined for 27 points, Chatham invaded Verona on January 24 and defeated the Hillbillies 76-62. The Hillbillies fell behind early and were unable to catch up. Art Pryde's 28 points and Anderson's 18 led Verona.

Fall to Millers

Millburn defeated Verona in the next encounter. The Millers moved to a 28-22 lead at the half. Verona cut the lead to 37-35 in the third quarter, and moved to within one point in the final period, but Millburn rallied to ice the victory. The final score was 55-51.

At Summit in their next game, the Hillbillies quickly fell behind and trailed 43-25 at the half. Despite its dominance of the second half, Verona was unable to overcome the lead, and fell 62-57.

On February 3, Verona stunned New Providence by scoring a 60-52 upset. With Verona behind 39-32 in the third period the Hillbillies outscored the Pioneers 8-1 to tie the score, and two foul shots by Kerry Mucci

put Verona ahead to stay, 42-40.

Verona scored its second straight victory when, on February 10, it beat Madison 59-57. Madison had a 38-27 half-time lead, and led 50-46 at the end of three periods. A subsequently rally by the Hillbillies, highlighted by brought Verona to within one point of Madison 53-52. Then five straight points by Bill An-

JV Cagers Win Twice

Verona's J.V. basketball team was unable to generate consistent play in its last ten games, and as a result was able to win only two of these contests. The J.V. record now stands at 3-15

Following losses to Madison and Cedar Grove by 65-55 and 54-22 scores, respectively, Verona played well against Chatham, only to fall to the Eskimos, 67-53. Don Overholser led the Hillbillies, with 14 points, and Al Makovsky added eight. The Hillbillies notched their second win of the season against Millburn 52-23 in a home game.

Verona next dropped games to Summit, New Providence and Caldwell before regaining its winning ways against Madison. The Hillbillies defeated the Dodgers 60-43 at the losers' court. Two more losses brought Verona's record to 3-15.

derson, the game's high scorer with 25 points, assured the victory for the Hillbillies.

On February 14, Cedar Grove defeated Verona for the second time this season. With the score tied 10-10 after the first period, Memorial moved to a 26-22 half-time lead. The score was 38-34 after three quarters with Cedar Grove on top. Verona led 39-38 in the fourth quarter but six straight points by the Mems put Cedar Grove ahead to stay. The final score was 61-51.

Improved Bowling Squad Registers Upset Victory

The Verona High School bowling team has improved greatly. The Hillbillies began with a first-game upset victory over second-place Belleville on January 26, and then lost two close ones. Despite Jeff (Mammal) Sherman's 197 (151 avg.), Verona fell to East Orange in the opening encounter on February 2. Steve Bushberg's 190 (159 avg.) paced a 97-pin win in game two. In the final tilt, Larry Hershoff (154 avg.) and Jeff Ochs (162 avg.) led the Hillbillies to an 852-784 victory and a winning day.

Hillbillies Bounce Back

Verona ran into a hot Caldwell team the following week. The Chiefs, scored a 914-713 crusher but the Hillbillies refused to stay down. After falling 29 pins short of victory in the second contest, Coach Burguillos' bombers took the finale, as Dick Teimer's 209 (160 avg.) stood out.

Frosh Winning String Reaches Six Games

Verona's freshman basketball team has continued its winning ways through the second half of the season by taking its last six games for an 11-2 record.

Following a loss to Chatham, the Hillbillies defeated Millburn by a 61-54 score. Leading the balanced scoring attack was Bob Goman with 16 points. In their next encounter at home, the freshmen avenged an earlier defeat by edging Summit 68-64. The Verona offense was led by Jerry Perl and Goman with 17 and 16 points, respectively.

Beat Pioneers

Traveling to New Providence, the Hillbillies smashed the Pioneers by a 71-51 count. Once again Verona's pressing defense and the scoring of Goman with 20 points and Perl with 15 accounted for the win.

The frosh then defeated a taller Caldwell team, 52-41, with Goman, Perl, and Chris Courtney tallying in double figures. Playing against a tall Madison team at home the frosh scored a 70-41 victory, which was followed by a 63-40 trouncing of Cedar Grove at the losers' court. These two wins swelled the Hillbilly winning streak to six games and

brought about the 11-2 record with one game remaining. This record eclipses the 7-5 log of the current seniors as the finest freshman basketball effort Verona has ever had.

Six Teams Meet In VRD Playoff



Duck Dickovics tallies for Undertakers.

With the regular season schedule completed, the Verona Recreation Department Basketball Playoff Tournament will commence on February 18.

The Children of the Night breezed through their five game schedule. The Children, featuring a balanced attack led by seniors Hess, Sabates, Sherman, and Martini, proved too much for the rest of the league. They clinched the championship with a 36-31 showdown victory over the previously undefeated Undertakers, as Hess, Benson, and Sabates all hit double figures. Norm Leavens of the Undertakers chipped in with 13 points.

Doons Place Third

The Doons led by Captain Glenn Hedden finished in third place with victories over the Doms, Good Losers, and Colt 45s. The Doms were next in the standings with the Good Losers and the Colt 45s finishing in that order.

In the upcoming tournament, the winner of the Good Losers-Doms game of February 18 will play the Undertakers on March 4. The winner of the Doons-Colt 45s will play the Children of the Night on the same date. The teams that remain undefeated through the tournament will meet for the championship on March 11.

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Concert To Feature Ensembles, Soloists

Soloists and ensembles, as well as the entire band, will perform in a concert to be given on March 31, in the high school auditorium.

The program, directed by Mr. Harry Owens, will feature four ensemble groups. Three soloists will also perform at the concert. Freshman David Feinstein will play a Mozart Concerto for clarinet, and sophomore Ellen Straus, a Beethoven Sonata for French horn. Sophomore Ann Arella will do a vocal number. This March 31 concert, the first of two to be presented by the band this year, was planned by Mr. Owens and the Band Council, headed by President Sharon Levin. The stage, or jazz band, composed of saxes, trombones, trumpets, guitar, bass, and drums, will play numbers by many famous jazzmen, including Count Basie.

Clarinet Choir

The Clarinet Choir is composed of four B clarinets, an alto clarinet, a bass clarinet, and a bassoon, which takes the place of a contra-bass clarinet. They

will play several varied compositions, ranging from a Bach chorale to a Negro spiritual.

The Woodwind Quintet, made up of two flutes, a clarinet, French horn, oboe, and bassoon, will perform numbers dating from the 17th century through the 20th century, including works by composers such as Percy Grainger and Vincent Persichetti.

Included in the Percussion Ensemble are various types of drums, cymbals, and bells. They will perform several pieces alone, and will be featured with the entire band in "Concertino," by Clifton Williams.

State Scholarships

Six seniors have recently been selected as winners in the New Jersey State Scholarship Competition. These students, chosen from thousands of applicants in the state, are: Barbara Griffiths, Rita Herr, Wendy Moore, Mike Sherry, Karen Walsh and Gail Lincoln.

The aspirants applied, stating whether they plan to attend an in-state or out-of-state school. The New Jersey State Scholarship Commission selected the recipients on the basis of financial need and scholastic ability. They are awarded a stipend of five hundred dollars each year for four years or the cost of tuition, whichever is less.

Students Watch Working Laser

Responding to an invitation from the MIT Alumni Club, VHS sent 21 members of the chemistry and physics classes to the Neptune Inn in Paramus. The meeting, held on Tuesday evening, March 14, included a lecture and demonstration of the LASER given by Dr. Robert Kroeger of the Electro-Optics Group of the Sperry Gyroscope Company.

Dr. Kroeger explained that the LASER, a device for the amplification of light, is expected to replace telephones in that it carries voices without wires. In his demonstration, he showed the LASER beam's concentration of power as it cut through solid materials.

His presentation ended with a discussion of the numerous applications of the industrial LASER. After the talk VHS students were given a questionnaire about the device.

Five students from VHS participated in the Engineering Career Day on March 21 at Rutgers. The two representatives, Dick Teimer and Jason Stemmer, gave talks on the problems faced by the Port Authority in their latest venture—the World Trade Center. David Benson, Bob Coad, and Paul Levinsky attended as observers.

Quintet Earn Twirling Squad Positions; Color Guard Chooses New Members

Entertainment at next year's football games has been planned by the recent appointment of new members of the color guard and the twirling squad.

Tryouts for color guard, held March 10, were judged by the two senior members of the squad,

Paige Ulrey and Wendy Rader, and Mr. Harry Owens, director of the band. Amy Fox will be captain of the color guard and the new squad will consist of Sandy Burns, Joanne Campbell, Elyn Constantin, Lenore Lehman, Valerie Mascia, Sue Olinger, Mary

Ann Sheets, and Sharon Zandman. Six after-school practices were held to train the girls in marking time, forward marching, right, left, and reverse turns, and rifle coordination. Girls were judged on technical ability as well as personal appearance.

The new majorettes, chosen March 16, are Susan Hancock, Nancy Mehigan, Margi Schept, Theresa Tsai, and Carol Wax. Mrs. Sarle, Mr. Owens, and this year's twirlers, participated in the judging.

The aspirants were required to march, perform the seven basic baton movements, and an original routine made up of these basic motions. The squad, now composed of ten majorettes, will practice during football season with the band as well as performing a routine with them during the games.



Members of band and ensembles practice for tonight's concert.

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Assembly Speaker Discusses Privacy; Talent Show, Show-Day Enliven VHS

Assemblies featuring Mr. William Sable in "Who's Watching You?" and various VHS students in a preliminary Suburban Conference Talent Show were held on March 8 and 15, respectively. Mrs. Phyllis Kepler, who was to speak on "One Car-No Road from Paris to Inida" was "snowed out" on VHS's third snow-day of the year, March 22.

Mr. Sable commented on the art of people watching, eavesdropping, and wire tapping, which he said have become popular sports. According to Mr. Sable, a new course of education, known as Industrial Espionage, has evolved from these arts. Not only have spying and selling electronic eavesdroppers or tape recording dolls become a fad but there also is a new industry called "debugging." This industry rids an area of eavesdropping machinery. Today people's privacy is often invaded, but according to Mr. Sable if wire tapping were to be stopped for National Security, the nation might suffer in instances such as kidnapping.

The talent show on March 8 featured a variety of individual and group acts. Folksingers Sue Mondabaugh and Mary Anne



In VHS Talent Show on March 8, George Pawlowski and Dan Antolick (left) perform scene from "Cyrano de Bergerac," and Nancy Kaplan (right) sings original composition.



Sheets headed the bill, while junior Nancy Kaplan sang an original work in the folk idiom.

scene from "Cyrano de Bergerac."

Al Marinaro and Elaine Gradone in a guitar-piano duet, changed the pace with a bossa nova beat. In a humorous vein, George Pawlowski and Dan Antolick interpreted the "nose"

Group performers in the show included "The Torn Souls," "The Lyon's Den" and an unnamed jazz band. Results of a March 9 ballot found the nameless ones, Al Kaplan, Al Marinaro, Zig Helling and Dave Kingsburg, on top of the heap.

Fairviewer Earns First Place Award

For the seventh consecutive year, The Fairviewer has earned a first place award in the 43rd annual Columbia Scholastic Press Association competition for school publications. The Fairviewer's honor, in the offset type category, was announced the second day of the CSPSA convention which was held on March 9, 10, and 11.

Nine Students Attend

Nine Verona High School students attended the program at Columbia University: Dave Bristol, Bruce Cohn, Janis Hersh, Larry Hershoff, Larissa Hordynsky, Danny Kraft, Joan Oremland, Ellen Straus, and Elissa Weitz.

On Thursday and Friday the convention began with two general sessions, followed by sectional meetings on specific problems of school publications. High school students presided over these sectionals, at which teachers or students lectured. On both days representatives were able to go to special lecture programs given by professionals from different parts of the

world of journalism. They could also attend seminars, workshops, clinics, and roundtable meetings led by high school students. There were also special sectional meetings for advisors, college-university, junior high, and independent schools. The convention ended on Saturday afternoon when Fred W. Friendly, former CBS president, addressed the body and special achievement awards were presented.

Club Raises Funds

"Gambit," starring Shirley MacClaine and Michael Caine was featured Wednesday, March 15, as the movie benefit for the All-Sports Boosters Committee. The purpose of The Parent Booster Committee headed by Mr. Mario Ciccotti is to promote interest among the citizens of Verona in high school sports. Proceeds from the benefit are used for the All-Sports Dinner in June.



New members of color guard and twirling squad hold beloved equipment.

VHS Day Should Contain Students' Leisure Room

In a town where budgets are thoughtlessly butchered, the gradual development of the high school library has gone largely unnoticed. Although limited by a low ceiling budget, Mrs. Moore has through the years created a comprehensive and appropriate library. New to the library this year, Mrs. Workman has helped in reorganizing the library, with orderly stacked magazines and prompt delivery of overdue book notices.

Despite the obvious successes of the library, the librarians have often been hampered from performing their duties by garrulous students, exhausted from the continual demands of the classroom.

If Education were truly a liberal and flexible institution, the creation of a leisure room would not be idealistic. High school should not rigidly demand merely the development of a student's intellectual abilities. Knowing and working with others is of equal importance. Availing a room each period of the day for study hall students seeking relaxation is not wrong; laughing and joking would be sufficient to break up an often laborious day.

During each period, there are usually free rooms available. Certainly some teachers would prefer supervising a relaxed leisure room to the quiet rigidity of a study hall.

Unfairly bearing the brunt of the students' search for a leisure room have been librarians Moore and Workman. They have been transformed from librarians into study hall overseers. The fault lies not with the librarians nor with the students.

A leisure room is plausible and a natural, though unused aspect, of high school. If it were physically unrealistic for the entire student body, the privilege should be extended to Seniors. It would be a welcomed addition to school, not a detriment.

S.K.

Bristol Sinks Policy

U.S. Bombing Fails; Only Hurts Image

by Dave Bristol

The administration's current policy on the bombing of North Vietnam is that we must bomb until the North Vietnamese display a willingness to negotiate. We have dropped millions of tons of bombs on North Vietnam to no avail. In fact, since the beginning of the bombing of the north, the number of North Vietnamese troops in the south has increased many times.

The bombing has had no effect except to lower our image in the eyes of our allies. We bomb their oil tanks and they travel by bicycle. We bomb their railroads and they ship by sampan. We bomb during the day and they march by night. Our bombing has not hurt the North Vietnamese logistically. It has only killed people. This is because North Vietnam is not an industrial country. We cannot bomb iron mills and munitions factories to bring the war to a halt as we did in Germany—mainly because there are no iron mills and munitions factories in North Vietnam.

Road Repair

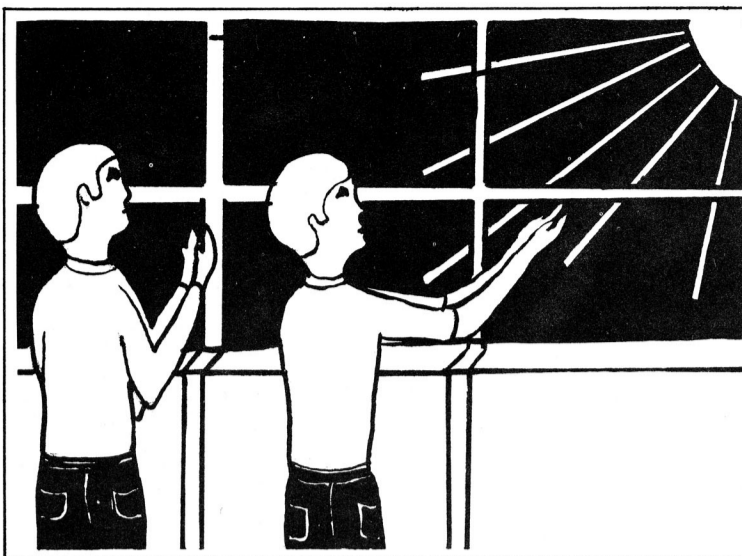
The only way our bombing would have an effect is if we bombed the major cities directly killing many innocent people. This would probably bring North Vietnam out of the war, but it would

not effect the situation in the south significantly, since the North Vietnamese make up only about 10% of the opposition force in South Vietnam. Grave damage would also be done to our national image if we carried on such a bombing program.

Our bombing will never make the North Vietnamese surrender. It only takes a few hours to rebuild a bridge or repair a dirt road. Besides, the North Vietnamese have the upper hand morally. They are supporting a popular insurgency. The stoppage of the bombing of the north would restore overseas faith in the United States and bring pressure upon the north to take a peace initiative.

'SR' IS HERE!

Starting with this issue, the Fairviewer will distribute copies of "Scholastic Roto" with each Fairviewer. "Scholastic Roto" is a monthly news-feature supplement, published and distributed by the National Scholastic Press Association, which contains timely articles of interest to high school students. The editors feel that "Scholastic Roto" is a valuable addition to the Fairviewer's regular news and features and hope that you, our readers, will enjoy it.



Student Council Endeavor

Solarium, Bath Solve Lavatory Vicissitudes

by Mike Sherry

Verona High School has a bathroom near the lobby which often is filled with smoke. Shining through the haze of nicotine and atomized toilet seats is the magnificent sunlight. Boys who have entered the lavatory in the early afternoon usually return into the halls ecstatic after reveling in the spontaneous warmth of life's light. To solve the "Missing John Smoker" Cap and to give the Student Council something to do, the Council and the Administration should unite for a rare moment to transform the lavatory into a solarium.

The boy's room has a picture window which, if properly colored and properly slanted, could catch the proper length of sun rays needed for a sunburn. Students

could be excused from study halls and health classes and during the four-minute break between periods to bask in the light.

There are four main reasons for a solarium. First, the health of the high school boys would be greatly improved. Next, no boys would risk smoking for fear of the loss of bathing privileges. Third, the Student Council would actually have something beneficial to do. Finally, this school, never tradition-minded, would have the added prestige of being the first school in the Suburban Conference with a solarium.

If the solarium works for the boys, the girls might find a suitable site for their own sauna bath. And thus, a new facet will be added to the already enthralling VHS curriculum.

Letters To The Editor

To the Editor:

Students invariably complain about school and until recently I was one of these people who thought school often left something to be desired. After going on an exchange to a Suburban Conference School, however, I was shocked; their school was obviously bad in comparison to ours.

This observation (shared by other members of the exchange) was applicable specifically to the English Department. In the English class that I attended, the teacher handed the student a mimeographed vocabulary sheet. They had to write a sentence for each word. They then went over the sheet apparently given the day before. The remainder of the period was spent in reading the book that they were presently working on. From what I understood from talking to the students, this was the usual routine.

In contrast, in my English class at VHS, we often have interesting discussions and don't always stick to the lesson plan. I almost look forward to it.

The fact is that most people in our school have nothing with which to compare the school, and since it's not perfect, they often think it's pretty bad. But by comparison with other schools in our conference, VHS ranks high for flexibility and creativity.

Lewis Seagull

To the Editor:

The Student Council is composed of a group of misers trying to squeeze as much money from the school as possible. When a school organization appeals to the Council, a barricade of opposition is thrown up against the

proposal. What does the Council do with its money besides buying a ridiculous gift or passing on some sum to next year's Council?

The Student Council has granted funds to the Debating Society and the United Nations Club—but not without heated opposition and debate. Shadows presently is in dire financial straits. If the Council would either donate or loan Shadows money, it would be serving the school.

Although the Council should not—

John Tesser

Racial Bias Not Main Cause of Powell Barring

by Richard Seltzer

Recent cries of "Keep the Faith, Baby" and "I hate Powell's guts" have tended to hide any real significance that the Adam Clayton Powell Case might have. The constitutionality of the House of Representatives' action will be debated in legal circles for years, but the major concern of Americans has been the motives of the Congressmen concerned.

Although certain Southern House members might have been influenced by racial prejudice, I am naive enough to believe that the major influencing factor was Powell's lack of concern about his misconduct, not his color. Adam Clayton Powell does not represent the lousy Negro politician to most Americans, but the lousy politician. His openness, about such inpropriety certainly does not make Powell any less guilty, but just as certainly it does make him better known and thus, more disliked.

Perhaps Powell by his openness, is the least hypocritical of all his compatriots, but it is a cardinal rule of American politics that when a political leader is caught beyond doubt with his hand in the till, he recants and apologizes, and does not rant or rave. The House's actions, if perhaps prejudiced, was prejudiced against one man not a race and inadvertently they have created a martyr.

Adam Clayton Powell—a martyr. The words seem somewhat incongruous. Look hard for the man of the people who spends his time with them. Look hard for the un-assuming, selfless man whose every action is for the benefit of others. Look hard, and you will find a man who had great potential, but wasted it. Look hard, and cry that such a man could become the symbol of all that is so just and right in the Negro Civil Rights movement.

throw its money away, it should nevertheless aid organizations needing extra funds. If the Council separated its money for a scholarship from its funds for organizations, the Council could keep the money secure and also serve the students. That's what it's for.




Current LP Analysis

Two albums of opposite style have recently been released. The Spencer Davis Group's first album released in the United States will not appeal entirely to the typical rock n' roll fan. The group combines a throbbing bass, tasty drumming and soul vocals to convey a rugged, bluesy flavor. The Spencer Davis Group, however, sometimes contains what could be wild, moving sounds into just good rock 'n roll.


On the opposite side of the pop music spectrum stands Simon and Garfunkel. Paul Simon and

Art Garfunkel fall unfortunately into the same category which has long been identified with Bob Dylan—folk rock. But this pair actually sound pleasant while conveying philosophical ideas, much like Marty Balin of the Jefferson Airplane and John Phillips of the Mamas and Papas. In Parsley, Sage, Rosemary, and Thyme, the two with nearly religious harmonies, combine two songs into one. "Silent Night/Seven O'clock News" is one of the finest criticisms ever expressed in song. M.S.



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Fairviewer Presents New T.V. Show; Oak Lambastes Idiotic Guest On Debut

"Hello, wasteland-watchers, this is Joe Oak with one of television's better programs, The Joe Oak Show. My pigeon, er, guest this week is Professor Jergenesen, of Pinesdale U. Good evening, Professor. And what idiotic, trivial point will you try to make tonight?"

"The first pertinent idea I have is that cheese is the secret to eternal youth. . ."

(The camera shakily switches to Joe Oak, laughing hysterically, writhing on the floor.)

"My next point is that certain popular songs should be

banned from the market because of their pornographic allusions."

"Now that I've caught my breath, Professor Jergenesen, I'd like to have you follow up on that half-(Blip) idea. Would you please give us an example?"

'Strangers in the Night'

"Well, there's 'Strangers in the Night.' A nice song, perhaps, but it obviously has a perverted theme—mainly that the song is about two homosexuals who are meeting each other."

(The camera switches to the

audience which consists of four bearded men with protest signs, three girls with hair down to their ankles, and a janitor with a "Bomb Hanoi" button and a World War I rifle.)

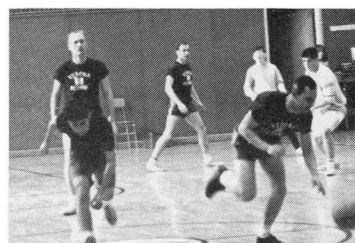
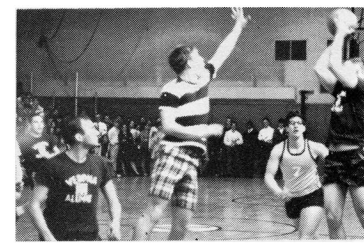
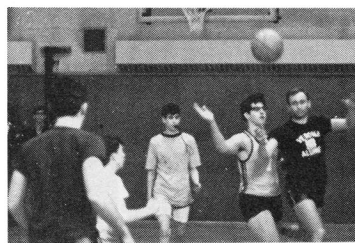
"Professor, that is the most idiotic conclusion I've heard. But so you can't get a word in edgewise, here's our commercial."

'Bunny Money'

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"Hi, gang, this is Joe Oak, again And to make sure the Professor can't say anymore, this is the end of the show."

"For those of you who would like tickets to my show, simply write your name and obsession or eccentricity on a postcard and send it to our studio. We will then have the most moronic applicants interviewed by an army of psychiatrists who will pass final judgment on the nuts."



In recent Senior-Faculty Basketball Game (clockwise from upper left) Jim Buonomo and Mr. Pecoraro chase ball; Jack Bescherer blocks Faculty attempt; Mr. Stiefbold exhibits fancy dribbling; Coach Gaffney charges in for two.

The Student Voice

Do you think stuauents should be permitted to leave study halls and go to a student lounge?

Lynne Barrett '68: Yes. There are so many kids who sit in study halls with nothing to do but talk that they should be allowed to go somewhere else. That way, those who want to study can do so undisturbed, and those who want to talk will be happy.

Mona Berger '68: Yes. I feel that there should be a place in the school where the students are able to relax during their free time. If the teachers can have a teachers' room, the stu-

dents should have a student lounge. A student should be given a choice if he wants to go to a study hall or to the lounge.

Kathy Krohn '69: No, because study halls are for doing homework and even though some kids don't work anyway, it would only lure the kids that usually work.

Russell Scott '69: If a student wants to study, he'll study. If he does not want to, he won't and disturbs those who are studying. I see nothing wrong with this idea as long as the students are supervised. This could promote more studying in a study hall and less fooling around.



THURLOW SPURR and the SPURRLAWS presents "MUSIC FOR MODERN AMERICANS"

On April 13, Verona High will feature an extra assembly. This assembly is a musical assembly sponsored by the Chrysler Motor Corporation. The Chrysler Corporation has supported a troupe which has toured the nation to promote safe driving.

The assembly will start at 10:30 a.m. and the theme is "Music for Modern Americans." The group performing is ThurLOW Spurr and the SpurrLaws (are you kidding me?). The program will include current hit songs, show tunes and folk songs along with comedy hits, a humorous safety skit, and a safety song. By June the group will have performed in over 1000 different high schools across the country.

The SpurrLaws who hail from all parts of the United States were selected in a series of special auditions. Some of the more noted performers are Jose Weaver, a former "Miss Teen-age Kansas City," and Stan Morse, the arranger, who received offers from Duke Ellington and Lionel Hampton before joining the group. The average age in the group is nineteen and most have won musical awards in local, state, or national competition. ThurLOW Spurr, the group's leader, is quite a versatile performer, he directs, composes, plays several instruments, and sings. Membership in the group varies from year to year, as some members return to their studies or enter a profession.

Baffling Crosswords Originate In England

Somewhere in the nineteenth century a fiend in toy-maker's clothing designed a new children's word game. The game delighted the English children and spread to the United States. By 1920 America was completely spellbound by the crossword puzzle.

Although politicians veer away from it, the modern-day crossword puzzle holds a place in Americana alongside Mom and apple pie, for crossword puzzles are regarded as "hold-your-head-high-as-you-do-it" things called challenges, moreover any number can play.

an island; a mass attack on the crossword and his game is certain the moment he asks someone for aid. Some inveterate puzzles have eliminated attack by never doing a difficult puzzle singlehandedly, keeping an army of specialist and expert lieutenants. Students bringing crossword puzzles to sundry practices play "Pass the Puzzle." This consists of working alone until called to perform, then handing the puzzle to the nearest available lieutenant so he may carry on in a repetitive process.

Puzzles In Study

For instance, take a typical Sunday N.Y. Times crossword puzzle: cut it out; and give it to one high school student to do during study hall. No man with a puzzle has the slightest hope of being



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Senior distance runners Paul Bennett and Gordon Price brave the elements during track practice.

Cindermen To Aim For Top

With seven returning lettermen and potential winners in each event, the VHS track team looks forward to its most successful season in years. Mr. William Pecoraro again coaches the Hillbillies, who open the season against East Paterson on April 7.

Runners Form Nucleus

Verona's forte is in the running events with sprinter Bill Osmun, hurdlers Glenn Hedden and Andy Moritz, and distance runners Skip Chestnut, Steve Hess, Paul Bennett and Gordon Price. These runners consistently placed either first or second in their events last year and should provide Verona with most of its points this year.

Junior Bernie Weich should threaten the record book and gain points in shot-putting. Another track man to watch is frosh pole-vaulter Bob Scharling who, with a little experience, could become one of the top vaulters in the conference.

Coach Pecoraro feels that Verona needs only to develop depth in the way of second and third finishers for a winning season.

'Children' Take Basketball Title

The Verona Recreation Department Intramural Basketball Tournament ended March 11, when "The Children of the Night" defeated "The Undertakers" to win the senior league championship. "The Deolistics" edged "The Playboys" to cop the junior division title.

The "Children" - "Undertakers" game was close for three quarters. Then "Children," led by Jim Benson, spurred for eight straight points and put the game out of reach. "The Children" coasted the rest of the way to a 41-31 victory. Joe Freda scored 11 points in a losing cause. Benson and Steve Hess, with 11 and 10 points respectively, were the big scorers for the winners.

Rich Lorenson scored the winning basket with two seconds left in the game, to give the "Deolistics" a 43-42 triumph.

Verona Baseball Squads Begin Preseason Practice

With the start of formal practice on March 1, Verona High School's varsity and J.V. baseball teams began preparing for their upcoming regular season games. The Hillbillies are slated to open their schedule with an April 4 game against perennially strong Parsippany.

Morris, Orlando Lead Verona

Under the direction of Head Coach Tom Morris and Rocco Orlando, the new J.V. mentor, Verona will attempt to improve upon last year's 10-10 record and third place Suburban Conference finish. A preseason poll of the Conference coaches pointed toward no better than a fifth-place berth for the Hillbillies in the final standing in the powerful Conference. Much of Verona's success this season will depend upon the improvement of its returning lettermen. Senior tri-captains George Martini, Ed Morehouse, and Art Pryde are again expected to fill the positions of third base, shortstop

Morris Looks To Lettermen

With the opening game against Parsippany less than a week away, Coach Tom Morris can be found rehearsing fundamentals with his charges and helping them regain lost batting skills.

When questioned about the chances of this year's Hillbillies, he replied that, "We don't have many experienced players on the team this year. Only Eddie Morehouse, George Martini, Art Pryde, Mario Baeza, Tom Courtney, Bob Zazzali, and Bill Anderson earned varsity letters last year. This means that many

and pitcher, respectively.

Junior letter winners Bill Anderson and Bob Zazzali will combine with Pryde to form the experienced nucleus of Verona's pitching staff, and will also serve regular duty in utility roles. Center field will probably be patrolled by Mario Baeza, with Tom Courtney finding a starting spot either in the infield or at catcher.

Key Newcomers

The Hillbillies will also rely heavily on many partial newcomers to varsity play. Seniors Steve Di Roma, John Landara, Chet Mattia, Dan Rowe and Steve Russalesi are key personnel in Verona's plans, as is Junior Armand Jacobsen. Sophomores with chances to break into the starting lineup are Keith Carlson, Bud Hart, Don Overholser and Pat Sullivan.

Scrimmages Planned

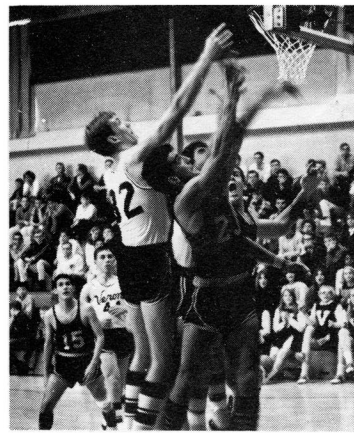
In addition to daily practices, the Hillbillies will round out their preseason training with a series of scrimmages. The Morrismen will compete in these practice games against such teams as Westfield, Bloomfield, Montclair, Essex Catholic and possibly the Montclair State College and Rutgers University freshman squads, in an effort to sharpen the team prior to the regular season.

Bowlers Finish Long Campaign; Demolish Vailsburg In Finale

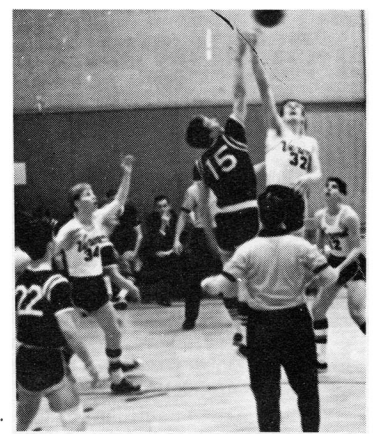
On March 2, the Verona High bowling team battled a hot Irvington squad, and emerged with three tough losses. Jeff Och's 202 game was in a losing cause as Irvington rolled up an 877-685 wins. Dick Teimer contributed a 185 in game two, but Verona again went down, 832-802. The Hillbillies dissipated a 75-pin lead in the finale, a tenth-frame freeze resulting in an 806-797 loss.

Second-place Clifton opposed the Hillbillies the following week, and with scores ranging from 879 to 900, completely overwhelmed Coach Burguillos' forces. Under Och's leadership the team made creditable showing with a pair of 800-plus games.

Verona finished up in grand style with three victories in the scheduled match of March 16 versus the Vailsburg Vikings.



Verona's top rebounder, Bill Anderson displays hustle in SC encounters, against Cedar Grove (left), and Caldwell (right).



Cagers End Season; Frosh Win Conference

Verona High School's basketball team finished the 1966-1967 season with a 4-14 record, an improvement over the 1965 log. In the last two games, Suburban Conference champion Caldwell and runnerup Chatham defeated the Hillbillies.

Playing against Caldwell, Verona came close to scoring a major upset. The Hillbillies took advantage of Caldwell's sloppy ball handling to jump to a 10-5 first quarter lead. However, the Chiefs bounced back and led by as much as eleven in the third quarter, but Verona staged a strong fourth period rally to tie the game at 48. Caldwell then spurred to pull out a 53-49 victory. Art Pryde had 18 points

and Bill Anderson had 14 for the Hillbillies. The final game of the season was played against Chatham. Verona lost 98-44 to their fired-up opponents. Nothing went right for Verona as Chatham bounded to a 54-17 first half lead. The third period was Verona's best as the cagers scored 19 points, but the game was already out of reach. Anderson had 17 points and Pryde 10 in the losing cause.

Frosh Cagers

Verona's most successful basketball team this year was the freshman squad. Led by a new coach, Tom Morris, the team won twelve games and lost two to win the freshman Suburban Conference Championship.

Playing their last game, against Chatham, the frosh needed a victory for the championship. Chatham jumped off to a 13 point half-time lead, but hustle and outstanding play gave the freshmen a 57-50 victory.

Coach Morris praised the members of the championship team for "hustling every minute of every game."



Coach Morris and tri-captains Pryde and Morehouse assess batting stance of tri-captain Martini.

positions on our club are unsettled." However, Coach Morris has many of last year's JV's trying out for the varsity this year and should find that they will fill the holes left by the absence of last year's seniors.

Coach Morris hopes Verona will finish high in the Suburban Conference this year, but he says that "Madison, Cedar Grove, Caldwell, and Chatham will be the teams to beat this season."

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