

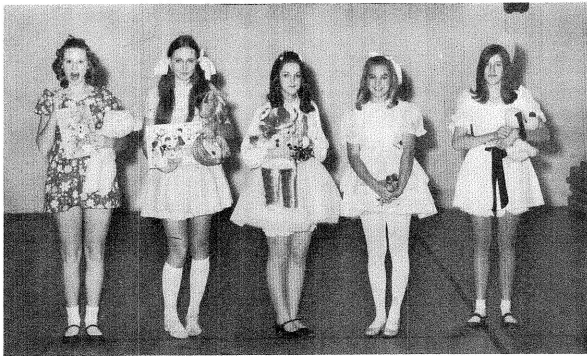
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Winners in the best dressed little kid contest watch the birdie. Left to right are Sharon McLain, tenth grade; Joyce Akin, eleventh grade; Cathy Skinner, twelfth grade; Ann Goguen, ninth grade; and Terri Fluker, eighth grade.

Little Kids Day Brings Back Pinafores, Ribbons, Lollipops

Little Kids Day started off with the pop of bubblegum as Lasseterites went back into their childhood and dressed up in bloomers and frilly dresses on February 28.

The highlights of the day, sponsored by Student Council, were a talent show, "Sandbox Playhouse", and a contest for the best dressed, both held during second period. Among the "best dressed" kids at Lasseter were Terri Fluker, eighth grade; Ann Goguen, ninth grade; Sharon McLain, tenth grade; Joyce Akin, eleventh grade; and Cathy Skinner, twelfth grade.

Mr. Griff Etheridge, sporting a black eye, suspenders, and gray socks adorned with blue and red diamonds, was chosen the best dressed teacher, while senior Cathy Skinner was chosen best little kid at Lasseter with her lavender teddy bear and outfit.

Both contests were divided up into two categories, student and faculty members. The first place winner in the student category of the talent show was Debbie Martin

who sang "Somewhere Over the Rainbow." Second place winners were Laquita Perkins and Nancy Benje doing their version of "I Want to Hold Your Hand." Biology teacher, Mrs. Louise Maxwell, won first place in the faculty contest singing "Why I Wanted to Teach Biology" in a juvenile voice.

Judges for the occasion were Mike Kitchens, Joe White, Henry Koplin, Terry Price, and Dewey Greene, all Mark Smith class presidents.

Other participants in the talent show included Debbie Yopp and Chrissy Ray doing an original rendition of "This Old Man." Charlene Brown sang "All I Want For Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth," and Donna Reeves (alias Shirley Temple) sang "When I Grow Up!" Performing a skit were Sabrina Lowe, Evelyn Stone, Trudie Holmes, Janice Ricks, Tronele Thomas, Jackie Daniels, Valerie McDonald, Veronica Meriwether, and Mary Fitchum as the Little Rascals.

Also participating in the show were Dorinda Gilmore (Mickey Mouse) playing the Mickey Mouse Song on the flute, and Beverly Tolbert, Gwen Ridley, Patty Nelson, Kathy Adams, and Kathy Shreve depicting the "Animal Fair".

Mrs. Mary Landrum and Miss Emily Carey presented a song entitled "Grandma's In The Cellar" during the teacher portion of the show.

Student Council put on a skit during the intermission entitled "Kid Say the Darndest Things."

Henry Named Complex Chief

Miss Ann Henry, Lasseter's principal since 1965, has been named supervising principal of Northeast High School.



Ann Henry

Northeast High School will include Lasseter and Mark Smith, which will house senior high girls and boys, respectively. The Peter G. Appling buildings will house the coeducational junior high grades.

There will be a principal in each building working under Miss Henry, but no one has been named her successor at Lasseter at this writing.

When asked how she felt about her new job Miss Henry stated, "It's a real fine challenging opportunity and it will prove interesting, but it's hard to leave a place where you have been happy and I will miss the decrease in contact with students."

Miss Henry is a native of Macon and a graduate of A.L. Miller High School. She earned her Bachelor of Arts degree from Agnes Scott College and her Master of Education from Mercer University.

She spent two years as field secretary for the Girl Scouts of America in San Antonio, Texas, and four years as Bibb County's executive director of the Girl Scouts. Miss Henry taught social studies from 1949 to 1962 at Miller and was then named principal of Charles H. Bruce School.

Asbell, Harris to Vie For Top Council Post

Candidates for the 1970 Student Council elections were announced March 18.

Teresa Asbell will run against Donna Harris for president; Lisa Lumpkin and Debs Meeks will vie for vice president; Carol Atkins will be Melanie Teels' opponent for secretary; and Rachel Edwards will run for treasurer along with Dale Epps.



Teresa Asbell

The nominating committee consisted of the presidents of all the clubs, the editors of school publications, and all Student Council members. They chose the candidates with the qualities of good leadership and at least a "B" average in mind.

The campaign will begin Monday, April 6 and continue through Wednesday, the day campaign speeches will be made. The voting, to be handled by Miss Rooks' government classes, will take place Thursday.

Each candidate will be allowed three posters with no limit on size or shape. They must not spend more than \$3.00 on these posters. Every girl has chosen a senior for her campaign manager. Teresa Asbell's campaign manager is Bonnie Greene; Donna Harris', Jeanne Cagle; Lisa Lumpkin's, Margaret

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Clay; Debs Meeks', Lydia Mitcham; Carol Atkins', Connie Colhard; and Dale Epps', Patricia Crumley.

Teresa Asbell is a member of the Spanish Club, Beta Club, and Student Council. She is also a Mark Smith majorette.

Being captain of the majorettes is only one of Donna Harris' accomplishments. She is vice president of the junior class, president of her supervision, and a member of the Church of Christ.

Lisa Lumpkin is a member of Student Council, Language Club, and Highland Hills' Baptist Church, and is secretary-treasurer of the junior class.

Debs Meeks is the president of the junior class, a member of Athletic Club, and is a junior assistant on the Marketer. She is also on the Jayteen Council.

Beta Club member Carol Atkins is also a member of Athletic Club and is on the business staff of the Lantern. She holds her membership at Morningstar Baptist.

In addition to helping with the Round-up program for underprivileged children, Melanie Teel is active in Language Club, Music Club, and Tabernacle Baptist's basketball team and choir.

Rachel Edwards is a junior assistant on the Marketer staff, and a member of the Athletic Club and Shiloh Baptist Church.

Dale Epps is a member of Student Council, Future Business Leaders of America, and sings in the Youth Choir of Tabernacle Baptist Church.



Cynthia Montfort shows her prize-winning science project on the effect of acids on plants.

Cynthia Montfort Places Second In Science Fair

The annual Sixth District Regional Science Fair was held March 6 at Ballard Hudson Senior High School, where Sophomore Cynthia Montfort placed second in the Senior High Botany Division.

This win made her eligible to enter the State Science Fair which will be held in Athens, April 2-4. Cynthia's project was entitled "How do Ethylene and Gibberellin Acid Affect Certain Plants?" She did a study of the effects of these plant hormones on bean seedlings as they grew.

When questioned about her project, Cynthia commented: "I enjoyed working with plants as they grew and watching them. I learned a great deal about plants and their stimuli that I am sure will benefit me later on."

Other sophomore entries were done by Nina Haskins, Sharon McLain, Denise Meeks, Meg Meyer, Denise Parks, and Barbara Swicord. Freshmen who entered were Suelen Epps, Jane Holmes, Renee Geiger, and Margaret Wood.

News Briefs

Future Teachers of America sponsored a Teacher Appreciation Day March 19. Each teacher received a stapler and a vase with flowers in it, while the office staff received stationary and pens. A snack bar was also set up in the teachers' lounge and dimes were provided for use in the coke machine.

Lasseter's Dramatics Club, with Mr. Griff Etheridge as its advisor has chosen "Nine Girls," a two-act play to be given May 22 and 23. Tryouts were held March 16-18 and practices are now in session four times a week.

Gwen Ridley, A Lasseter freshman, placed third in state piano competition held at Fort Valley State College recently.

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Communication Is The Beginning of Understanding

EDITOR'S COMMENT

Language Fails In Expression

"What we have here is a failure to communicate." What a pitiful statement this is to be heard so often in a land linked by endless miles of telephone wires, superhighways, and airway routes.

Yet the statement is repeated again and again, until it has become an awful echo, apparently without end. The delicate communications network of our country seems to be insufficient to hold up under constant bombardment. And so, what we have here is a failure to communicate.

When we were very young, we had no trouble in expressing ourselves. Perhaps it was because we did not depend on language to make our desires known. Language has proved itself to be a questionable means of communication at times.

However, as we mature and begin to reach out, language is one of the few useful tools we have for communication. There are two major reasons why communication in language fails. On a worldwide basis, the large number of different languages makes it impossible to say the same thing to everyone. No one can ever say exactly the same thing in exactly the same way in to distinct tongues.

The other failure of language occurs within every other tongue: No word ever means exactly the same to any two people. Words have two kinds of meaning: denotative and connotative.

Denotative means the dictionary meaning. Dictionary meanings would be fine if there were a unique one for each word. But some words have as many as 30! Connotative meanings are much more complex. They have to do with what goes on inside our heads when we hear words. Every individual has a singular response to every word. Thus, in the United States alone, there are over 200 million connotative meanings for any one word.

How to solve the problem? There is no real solution, only a way of improving the situation. We must remember that, to communicate, there must be a sender and a receiver. If one is missing, there is no communication. We must learn to listen when others are expressing themselves and communicate our own ideas when they are expected of us. There is no other way to overcome the barriers of language.

A Look at Books Fraser Portrays Life Of Sad Queen Mary

After many months of research, Antonia Fraser has produced an absorbing and exhaustive biography of one of the most misunderstood monarchs in the history of the world, Mary, Queen of Scots.

The true story of the life of Mary Stuart is as absorbing as any of today's soap operas. However, the events in this tale are all non-fiction. Mary did not appear to be very promising when she came into the world. She was weak and the outlook seemed rather grim, but she amazed the court by growing stronger month by month. As the immediately successor to the throne, she was fought over by Scotland, England, and France.

Under her mother's protection, she was sent to France where she enjoyed an idyllic life as a princess and later was married to the young king. His untimely death caused her return to Scotland's throne. Here she faced the trail of being the Catholic ruler of a Protestant Kingdom. Discord in her country sent her to England where she sought asylum from her kinswoman, Elizabeth. But Elizabeth imprisoned Mary and later executed her.

These basic events are richly embellished with a wealth of detail. The book runs some 550 pages in length and each page should be read with great attention. These details often impede the full appreciation of the story but upon further examination, they help convey the intricacies of the times.

Throughout the book there are many portraits of Mary done by the famous court artists of the time. At first glance her slight frame suggests frailty, but she possessed great spiritual courage and determination. In fact, Elizabeth also feared Mary's resolve, that she had her executed.

Along on the best seller list, this masterwork of the life and times of Mary, Queen of Scots, should not be missed.

Dorinda Gilmore

Guest Editorial

Air Force Takes Pains For Informed Employees

by Perry Sullivan

EDITOR'S NOTE: Chief of public information activities at the Warner Robins Air Material Area, Perry Sullivan is a graduate of the University of Georgia, and this year concludes work on his master's degree in journalism and communications.

He came to Middle Georgia in late 1962 from the Augusta area, where he was program director and news director for radio station WRDQ, and where he often served as an affiliate correspondent of CBS News.

His interest in communications of the Armed Forces began in 1954 with assignment to the Navy Journalism School, Great Lakes, Illinois.

The Air Force has a new challenge — bridging the Generation Gap!

Communicators within the USAF have been caught up in the same alarming realization which today affects advertising, business and entertainment. Within the 1970's, America's power will shift into the hands of the younger generation.

Within the Air Force, we are experiencing the effects of the population explosion in the late teens and early twenties age group. Young airmen and officers are only half of the picture. The "other half" includes their wives. Also, there are more teen-to-teen dependent children of senior Air Force personnel than ever before.

Within the information field, the challenge is critical. Consider the classic information program model used by the Armed Forces: Internal Information, to get the message to personnel on base; Public Information, to give the national and local publics a full account of how their tax dollars are spent, and the effect of what they have purchased; Community Relations, to insure a good working relationship with the publics around the base through personal and group contact.

The internal effort is channeled through the base newspaper, arranging monthly meetings between the commander and his men, bulletin boards, and base guides and directories. An illustration of the challenge in this department is the Air Force monthly film seen by airmen at the meeting called by the commander. The old series, "The Air Force News Review," used World War II documentary and news techniques, including old mood music and the drone of the professional narrator. When research indicated that the intended audience was "turning off" during the film, a new approach was created, called "The Air Force Now." A sequence shot in Macon to illustrate the Robins AFB volunteer participation in Spring Cleaning '69, starts with Spunky and Our Gang singing "The Other Side of Town." Cutting is paced to the music. Airman First Class Jerry Garrison tells his fellow airmen all over the world why he got involved in the clean-up, and he tells it in his own words. Research indicates that now, instead of airmen tuning off, they're tuning in.

If our basic goal in the Air Force is to insure that our personnel and our publics are fully informed on what, why, and how we do our mission, then we must listen to the publics for feedback on the appropriateness of our message in terms of their right to know, and their desire to know. Only in this way can we insure that the story we tell is right, and what is required to make it even better understood.

A Failure To Communicate

"How long and how much will it take," I asked, "Till people see the uselessness of war?"

It never proves who's right, you know, Just who has the better army And, for that, we could have military contests, Like the Olympics, maybe."

Mother was doing needlepoint.

She picked her finger

And as it flew to her mouth

She looked at me gravely, wisely.

Ah, I thought, she has an answer;

So I breathed once deeply and waited.

My mother said, "Your collar needs straightening, dear."

Licia Drinnon

Understanding Spans Communication Gap

Hate-misunderstanding-racial strife. Unbridgeable rifts between parents and their children. Violence and bloodshed; missiles and anti-missiles, and even anti-anti-missiles. Why?

The communication gap in the world today is not only a cause of misunderstanding between parents and their teenagers, but a highly relevant problem in many of the troubles of today's world.

The blacks misunderstand the whites; equally, the whites misunderstand the blacks, and the blacks misunderstand the whites, forcing integration which no one really wants, and militant demonstrations in every corner of America. Does anyone really care? Or are both sides simply trying to get what they want in the simplest way possible? It seems that constructive seminars and meetings of leaders of both races, with understanding as a keynote, could only result in a better America for everyone.

Parents and their children, especially their teenagers, are often the target of the crime of "communication gap." Parents are set in their ways and believe that they know what is best for their children, and that eventually Mary will get over her unconventional ideas. Mary believes that her parents are old-fashioned and refuse to "tell it like it is" and that she knows better what is right for her than anyone does. Accordingly, she resents their interference in her life.

But do either parents or teenagers really put themselves in the others' shoes and try to understand the point of view of each other? Both are so determined to have their own ways that neither can sensibly appreciate the others' problems. And the rift grows deeper, and wider every day, with slimmer and slimmer chance of closing it. If teenagers could try to understand that their parents are more experienced in life than they are, and would be willing to concede that parents are right occasionally, parents would perhaps be more understanding of the struggle young adults have in today's world.

Because today's young people are not a generation of lazy, pot-smoking, pill-taking, immoral young dissidents, and neither are they all fine, outstanding specimens of the human race. Adults, likewise, have their strengths and weaknesses.

Can people remember that they are all only human, and far from perfection, before we destroy ourselves and our country with our fighting among ourselves? For the decade of the seventies, especially, understanding seems to be the key word to peace.

Susan Hamrick



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Asbell Places First In Math Competition

Theresa Asbell took first place on the National High School Mathematics Examination given at Lasseter March 10.

Participating were 19 seniors, 17 juniors, and six sophomores.

The test, given at all high schools that wished to participate, was sponsored by the Mathematical Association of America, the Society of Actuaries, honorary mathematical fraternity Mu Alpha Theta, and the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

Covered on the test were elementary algebra, plane and coordinate geometry, and intermediate algebra.

The examination, supervised by algebra teacher Mr. Griff Etheridge, was given during second and third periods. It consisted of 32 problems and required 80 minutes to complete.

The problems were multiple choice, and students were penalized for incorrect answers.

The school's first place winner, Theresa Asbell, is a junior. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Asbell of 3235 Ruark Road.

Second place winner was junior Rachel Edwards. Her mother is Mrs. Ruth Edwards of 2556 Willis Drive.

Taking third place was Nancy

Andrews, also a junior. Nancy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Andrews Jr. of 3242 Darity Drive.



Teen-Age Program, sponsored by the March of Dimes, held a bake sale March 14.

Twelve members of Lasseter's Beta Club attended the State Beta Convention March 6-8. The convention included three general sessions, group meetings, a talent show, the installation of new state officers, and a dance. Mrs. Franklin Stokes, the advisor for Lasseter's Beta Club, was elected the new state sponsor.

Under the direction of Miss Eliz abeth Coleman, eighth grade gym students are learning boundball.

Mrs. Carolyn Peacock's ninth grade gym classes have been working this nine weeks on tumbling, the balance beam, and the trampoline.

Mrs. Janice Nordan is instructing sophomores in archery, and juniors and seniors in track and field.



Members of the business classes take a break during their tour of the Citizens and Southern National Bank. (Left to right are (first row) Sandra Holston, Mary Helen Skinner, Debbie Harmon; (second row) business teacher Mrs. Jeannette Gurley, Sandra Cavender, Sandy Churchwell, Becky Johnson, Ebbie Aleywine, Paula C Colvin, Sandra Emminger, Rebecca McGowan, Patricia Lee, (back row) Donna Moore, Nancy White, Billie I Jean Francis, and Cookie McKinnie.

Business Students Tour Banks

The office practice and clerical practice classes, accompanied by Mrs. Jeannette Gurley and Miss June Emmett, toured the Crystal Palace and the Denmark Second Street branches of the Citizens and Southern National Bank March 4.

The first stop of the tour was at the largest local branch of the C & S Bank, the Crystal Palace. Upon entering the bank, the girls noticed the beautiful Victorian furniture, which was found throughout the

by Cookie McKinnie

bank. Mrs. Margaret Burns acted as guide for the 38 girls.

The girls were led through the safe deposit room and to the vaults. Here, they were met by Mr. Jordan Michael, the head teller. Mr. Michael showed the girls a thousand-dollar bill. Afterwards the group visited with secretaries to the bank's officials.

The girls then left for the Denmark Second Street Bank. Here the girls' guide was Miss Brenda Webb, who is secretary in the personnel department.

Miss Webb escorted the girls upstairs, which is where all the "behind-the-scenes" work goes on. Here the girls went through the IBM computer room, which is headed by Mr. Al Avant and Mr. Harold Wilson. These men explained to the girls how the computer works. A demonstration was given on how

checks are separated by numbers. This computer is operated by the insertion of cards into its "brain." The computer was also programmed to play music.

Miss Webb then showed the girls the bookkeeping and data processing departments.

Finally, the girls were taken downstairs and served refreshments. There, they were given an opportunity to ask Miss Webb questions concerning the bank.

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Junior and Misses Fashions

Kitchens Wins Speech Match

Beverly Kitchens, a junior, won first place in the local level of the 33rd Annual National High School Oratorical Contest sponsored by the American Legion.

Representing American Legion Post 3, Beverly traveled to Thomas-ton to participate in the state competition. She was accompanied by her sponsor, Mr. Allen Tully of the Bibb Board of Education.

The competition consisted of two parts, a prepared oration and an extemporaneous speech. The oration was given on some phase of the Constitution, with emphasis given to citizens, their rights and responsibilities. The three minute extemporaneous speech, for which each of the five contestants was allowed five minutes' preparation, was to test the speaker on his knowledge of the subject chosen.

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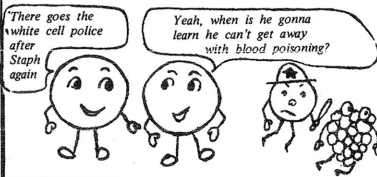
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Spirit Week 1970



The members of the senior skit chorus, dressed in caps and gowns, lead the rest of the senior class in singing "Graduation Day."

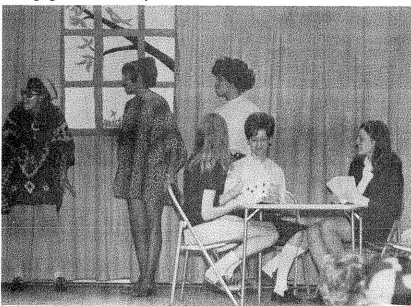
Spirit posters, class colors, and spirit skits blossomed forth like daffodils as Lasseter celebrated her fifth annual Spirit Week March 9-13.

Signifying the end of winter and the arrival of spring, Spirit Week promotes not only class spirit, but also school pride. Each class had a hall to decorate in their colors and a day on which to sing their class song in the halls, choose the lunchroom meal, and also wear their class colors.

On Tuesday and Friday, the class spirit skits were held. The senior skit entitled "Those Were the Days" won first place while the eighth grade skit placed second. The tenth grade received the prize for the most spirit with the eighth and ninth tied for second.



Connie Colhard, director of the senior skit accepts the first place award from Coach Bobby Brown, spokesman for the judges.



In the junior skit, sophomore hippies Becky Harrell, Octavia Tripp, Shirley Battle, and Ella Thomas discuss the situation, while normal juniors Felicia Affolter, (seated) Betsy Affolter, Rhonda Johnson, and Debbie Brown look on.



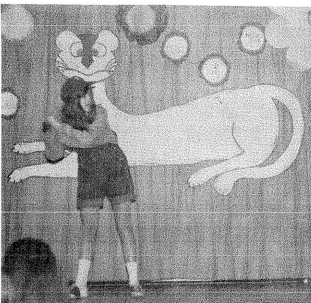
The cast of the junior skit sings the class song as a grand finale.



Members of the freshman class finish their skit with a song.



Joyous sophomores finally burst their way out of the senior cap and gown box they were trapped in.



Gwen Ridley pitches the softball to Terri Fluker in the subfreshman skit about the joys of spring.



The subfreshmen go off with a song at the end of their skit.

Jokes Make School Life Go Round

Father: Look at all these 'bills'! Rent, heat, clothes, food—the cost of living is going up on all of them! I'd be happy if just one thing went down!

Lasseterite: Here is my report card.

Teacher: Theresa, I hope I didn't see you looking at Susie's paper!

Theresa: I hope so, too!

Mrs. Brubaker: Karen, who was Anne Boleyn?

Karen: Anne Boleyn was a steam iron.

Mrs. Brubaker: What on earth do you mean?

Karen: Well, it says here in the book, "King Henry, having got rid of Catherine, pressed his suit with Anne Boleyn."

Student: Is it really true that grizzly bears spend all winter asleep in a cave?

Mrs. Maxwell: You bet it is! Who is going to go in there and wake one up?



Members of the Lasseter Beta Club prepare to sock it to Atlanta. Left to right are Theresa Asbell, Nancy Andrews, Kathy Lifsey, Carol Atkins, Felicia Bowns, advisor Mrs. Gloria Jean Stokes, and Dorinda Gilmore.

Lasseter Beta Club Dazzles Atlanta with Spring Dresses

The members of the Lasseter Beta Club ventured to Atlanta March 6-8 to attend the Georgia Beta Club convention. The surprisingly warm weather gave them the chance to dazzle the capital city with their new spring outfits.

Theresa Asbell shows that patchwork is still with us but in a striking new orange, navy, and white composition. The patch pockets top off the white front pleats. The dress is in easy-care double knit.

Nancy Andrews is ready for the Beta dance with this navy kettledress accented with white contrast stitching and fake flap pockets. The pockets are tabbed with red kettledress and have white pearl buttons that match those that brighten the bodice.

Kathy Lifsey has the military look with the double row of stitch-

ing and white buttons that march down the front of her red kettledress A-line dress. Miniature patch pockets are on the bodice and pleats add a soft flare to the low-waisted style.

Carol Atkins comes on as the big sport in this double knit shirtdress. It's actually an overgrown T-shirt that's been dressed up with gold buttons and a patriotic red, white, and blue belt with a gold buckle.

Whether for those long meetings at the convention or for a typical school day Felicia Bowns chooses this no-wrinkle scarlet shirtdress. It has a small round collar and tiny brass buttons that add sparkle to the outfit.

The Beta Club's advisor, Mrs. Gloria Stokes, was named as the Georgia Beta Club's State Sponsor for the next two years. And what better way to get installed than in this beige linen suit. With it she wears a blouse of blue flowers on a beige background with a Ben Franklin overhand tie. The shirt has pleats in the front and the back.

When among the flowers and beads of 14th street, dress in the same spirit as the inhabitants. Dorinda Gilmore takes this advice to heart with this tie-dyed scrub denim vest and skirt combination. The long vest has denim fringe a-

round the yoke and around the bottom. The blouse is sheer navy cotton with tucks and pockets and hyper-Edwardian collar and sleeves. The flared skirt has belt loops through which Dorinda wears a long fringed scarf which matches her rose-colored sunglasses.

The big colors for this spring are red, white, and blue. They are seen in everything from semi-formals to bellbottoms. And the most popular fabric is jersey. It softly clings and flows romantically and resists wrinkles.

To go with the new spring clothes, there is a veritable avalanche of accessories. Beads are an important part of the spring scene; they come in all sizes, ranging from tiny Indian bead chokers to gigantic ropes of pearls. Scarves are used as headbands, belts and hats. Fashion rings should be seen on the fashion (index) finger.

TV TIPS

April Brings TV Flowers

by Beverly Murphy

April showers may bring May flowers but April shows bring a variety of good entertainment.

Dean Martin will appear on Tennessee Ernie Ford's special in April. "The Whale Hunters of Fayal Island," narrated by Jose Ferrer, is a study of islanders who still hunt whales in Portugal's Azores. This special will be telecast April 23.

Diahann Carroll of "Julia" sings on Robert Goulet's special over ABC during April.

Cinderella goes to the ball twice during April. CBS telecasts two versions of the tale. The April version is a repeat of the Rogers and Hammerstein musical adaptation. The second stars Jim Henson's Muppet Puppets. This comic version was written by Muppeteer Jim Henson.

A stands for April and awards. The Academy Awards telecast April 7 on ABC includes interviews with internationally famous movie directors. Tony Awards for excellence on Broadway will be given April 19. Scenes from nominated musicals and dramas will be featured on the telecast over NBC.

"It Couldn't Be Done," a documentary about outstanding American achievements, is scheduled for April 2 over NBC. Music for the special will be provided by the Fifth Dimension.

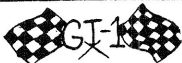
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'King' Arthur of Courts Plays In Macon Tennis Tournament

by Felicia Bowns

A tennis court 15 yards away from one's home may or may not lead one to stardom in the tennis world. For tennis star Arthur Ashe, it was a running start.

The 6 feet, 1 inch native of Richmond, Virginia was playing tennis by the time he was seven years old. When he entered UCLA in 1963, he was made a member of the United States Davis Cup team. He has never lost a cup match since. In 1968, he led the United States to its first victory since 1963 at Adelaide. Ashe said that the winning of the Davis Cup was the greatest part of his successful career.

MR. COOL

On the courts and off, the 27-year-old, slender net star tries to live up to the nickname, Mr. Cool. Whether he likes a call or not, he shows little emotion. With the press he is calm and witty and accepts all victories with little show of excitement. After getting a second place trophy at the Macon International Tennis Tournament, Ashe responded to a standing ovation by saying, "I think I'll stick around and run for mayor of Macon."

Mr. Ashe is calm, also, when the question of his ranking among



Arthur Ashe and Felicia Bowns

United States amateur tennis players arises. He was ranked second by a United States Lawn Tennis Association ranking committee.

POPULARITY OF TENNIS

Unlike basketball and football, tennis is not observed with cheers and noise in the United States. In Macon, however, a man yelled "Go Ashe!" from the stands. The man was quieted, but tennis fans were surprised at such conduct. "I didn't expect it in the United States," commented Ashe. "I don't care how much noise the fans make. Cheers and the like are common in Mexico and Europe. I just don't want them (the fans) to move because it is disturbing."

As far as popularity is concerned, tennis is outnumbered by sports such as football, basketball, and golf. "I don't think tennis will ever be as popular as football or basketball," replied Ashe when asked about the game's popularity. "I do hope that it will someday reach the popularity of golf."

Ashe says that he really has no career ambition at present. "All I want is to make the most money now. Tennis is a career as well as my source of living."

The international net star showed interest in young players while in Macon. He took time out from his busy schedule to give a few pointers to youngsters attending a tournament clinic for young players. "Practice it (tennis) more than you practice anything else," is the advice he gives to beginners.

The Macon International Tennis Tournament is growing in prominence among indoor tennis tournaments. This year was the third consecutive year of the tournaments. Each year the tournament attracts stars such as Arthur Ashe, Clark Graebner, Cliff Richey, and Bob Lutz. Ashe seemed to be satisfied about the courts and said he had little trouble playing on them.

"All I've heard since last Macon from the players is how great Macon is and how much fun they have playing here and how terrific the Coliseum is for indoor tennis," said Ashe. "I've seen the Coliseum now and I agree that it is tremendous."

Whether or not the ranking changed at the Macon International Tennis Tournament, held at the Macon Coliseum February 25 through March 1, is debatable. Since the number one player in the United States, Stan Smith, was not playing in the tournament, Ashe was the number one player and Richey the number two. The two men met in the finals. The result was a 3-6, 6-3, 8-6 win by Richey.

PHYSICAL HANDICAP

Even impediments to his playing ability are accepted unemotionally by this net star. Ashe has had elbow trouble for the past two years. He feels that this difficulty has lessened the power of his serve. That serve, which has gotten for him the nickname of "The Whip," was believed to be the most powerful in tennis by some of his opponents.

Ashe says, "It [his powerful serve] is coming back." When it does, some of his opponents feel he may start cracking the whip again and the Top Ten might be known once more as "King Arthur's Court." The Top Ten United States tennis amateurs were given this name last year while Arthur was ranked number one.



by Lin Wood

As blue skies and warm temperatures return, the thoughts of most Mark Smith students turn to the opposite sex and the end of school.

But for a few boys, the blue skies and warm temperatures only mean more sweat as they spend their after school hours running and running and running.

These boys are the members of the Mark Smith track team. Coach Fendley takes over the reins of head track mentor this year as Coach Meeks now heads the school as principal. He will be assisted by Coach Schoychild.

Last year many of the standouts composing the nucleus of the squad were lost due to graduation, but two remain, and it will be around these two that Coach Fendley hopes to build another successful team. These two tracksters are Jag Gholson and Alfred Johnson.

One of the best long distance runners in the state, Jag has been running the mile and two-mile events for the last three years. Last year he won region honors.

Alfred, who stands only 5 feet 8 inches, won the state high jump last year with an unbelievable 6 feet, 4 inches leap. An excellent sprinter also, he runs in several of the short races and in several of the relay teams.

Some of the other members of the squad include Dirk Thomas, Tony Henderson, Roger White, Bob Windham, Mike Wallwe, Ricky Churchwell, and Ricky Hilton.

With lots of determination and practice, this year's track team should reach the high standard of the former Mark Smith track teams.

We wish the cindermen the best of luck and are sure they'll find a "place in the sun."

(Exchange column with Mark Smith Telstar)

Two Capture State Honors In Bowling

Two Lasserites, Debbie Harmon and Maria Rutland, recently won bowling trophies in the fourth annual Georgia State Championship Tournament, held at Macon Bowl during the weekends in February.

There were three events in which a bowler could participate. These events were team (with four bowlers per team), doubles (with two bowlers), and singles. A special category in which a bowler could have won trophies was "all events," which combined the scores of team, doubles, and singles.

In the senior division, Debbie Harmon won a first place trophy in the team event and sixth place in all events. Debbie has won five other trophies during the four years she has been bowling.

In the junior division of the tournament, Maria Rutland won a second place trophy in the team event. Maria has also been bowling four years and has won seven other trophies during those years.

To have been able to participate in the Georgia State Tournament, Debbie and Maria had to be sanctioned by the American Junior Bowling Congress, a national bowling association. Both girls had to bowl at least 20 games with a sanctioned AJBC league.

There have been three other State Tournaments during the past three years. They were held in Columbus, Atlanta, and Savannah.



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