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MANY FAMILIAR FACES again graced the stands as this year's Concert Choir performed Christmas numbers at the assembly. —Cavalier Photo

Choir Presents Concerts

GW's Concert Choir, under the direction of Mr. William G. Snyder, presented a Christmas program of music containing both sacred and secular songs on December 15 and 16 for the student body and December 18 for the general public.

The presentation consisted of music of periods from the fifteenth century to the present and was formal in the sense that no stage effects were used, explained Mr. Snyder. However, the songs were predominantly light, providing entertainment rather than requiring deep con-

In her dream, the nutcracker transforms into a handsome prince and leads the toys in a fight against the mice. The nutcracker-turned-prince wins and takes the girl to Jam Mountain in Arabia where she is greeted by the Sugarplum Fairy, and is entertained with games, dances and toys.

Five sections of the original Nutcracker Suite make up the song version which are the Overture, Dance of the Sugarplum Fairy, Russian Trepak, Dance of the Toy Flutes and the Waltz of the Flowers.

Judy Adkins and Peggy Roberts provided musical accompaniment for the concert.

Students Go Round In Sunday Ritual

College Decisions Surprise Students

By Debbie Klaff

Twenty-five seniors have already received notification of early acceptance for their preferred colleges.

Sally Warren claimed that she was "incoherent, screaming and jumping all over the place," when she found out that she had been accepted to Wellesley in Boston, Mass. She also received a \$2800 scholarship which is renewable every year.

Jerry Feels Relief

On receiving notification of his early acceptance at the University of Virginia, Jerry Haley admitted that he was relieved. "This is the only school that I wanted to go to," he added. Also accepted UVA was Steve Bass.

Being accepted to St. Mary's in Raleigh, N. C. is something special to Katherine Hunter, whose mother and grandmother graduated from there. When asked what her first reaction was on receiving the news of her acceptance, Katherine claimed, "I was so excited because all the problems and worries of applying to other schools were solved."

Linda Screams

When Linda Dance received her letter of acceptance to Aver-

of having to study different kinds of courses." Gale Love was "thrilled to death" and Beth Farley was "surprised" at being accepted at Madison by early decision.

Anticipating the big city life of Richmond is Vickie Bowman who was "relieved" to receive an acceptance letter from Westhampton. Nancy Williams was also "relieved" to be accepted at Longwood College.

On receiving notice of her acceptance at Duke University, Nancy Fitzgerald exclaimed, "I was so excited that I could hardly stand it."

Looks Forward

Beverly Gosney is looking forward to "meeting new people and the whole new atmosphere of William and Mary." Also accepted here by early decision were Clyde DeLoach and Carolyn Hawkins.

Others accepted by early decision are Robbie Friedman at Randolph-Macon and Ben Kushner at the University of North Carolina.

Mr. Ivey Rogers, guidance counselor, informed that names for early acceptance are coming into the office every day. He said that all students who receive letters of acceptance should notify one of the guidance coun-

no stage effects were used, explained Mr. Snyder. However, the songs were predominantly light, providing entertainment rather than requiring deep concentration, the director continued.

The featured number in the concert was the Nutcracker Suite, originally a ballet by Tchaikovsky based on a dream that a little girl has about a nutcracker that she receives as a Christmas present.

Pupils Begin Examinations January 17

Examinations will begin for GWites January 17 and will follow the familiar 2-1-2-1 pattern.

The schedule is as follows:

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17

8:50-- 9:05.Homeroom
9:05--11:15. .First period exam
11:15--12:50.Lunch
12:50-- 1:05.Homeroom
1:05-- 3:20.Second period exam

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

8:50-- 9:05.Homeroom
9:05--10:10.Third period
10:10--11:15.Fourth period
11:15--12:50.Lunch
12:50-- 1:05.Homeroom
1:05-- 3:20.Third period exam

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

8:50-- 9:05.Homeroom
9:05--11:15.Fourth period exam
11:15--12:50.Lunch
12:50-- 1:05.Homeroom
1:05-- 3:20.Fifth period exam

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

8:50-- 9:05.Homeroom
9:05--10:00.Sixth period
10:00--12:00.Sixth period exam

MONDAY, JANUARY 23

Teachers' work day
Students' holiday

Students Go Round In Sunday Ritual

By Mary Bolen

My head was swimming and I wanted to go home. It didn't seem to bother them though.

We rode around and around in a nearly perfect figure eight pattern. Everything was always the same, yet, each time seemed to hold more fascination for them and less for me. Each time we approached one of the places they began to chatter with anticipation. What could they see in this?

Scenery Looks Same

The scenery was always the same. Always the same chaos and idiocy was carried out to the delight of my friends.

Perhaps they considered it intriguing because of the risk involved. The course they had chosen was one of the most dangerous, if not the most dangerous, in the city.

Accomplish Nothing

The thing that annoyed me most was the fact that we accomplished nothing in the entire two-and-one-half hours we were out. My friends were apparently enjoying their little excursion but I

Students Give Tea For School Board As Yuletide Treat

Open house for school board and faculty members was held in the home economics apartment December 14.

During their free period, guests were served refreshments by home economics students who also decorated in the Christmas motif for the occasion.

Unlike previous years when it was presented by FHA, home-making open house this year is a home economics project.

was beginning to feel as though I'd been put in orbit and would never be permitted to alter my course.

The giggling all sounded so repetitious after 45 minutes and the chatter, which was pointless, was always the same. . . "Oh, I wonder if we'll see anybody"; "She said she probably would come out here"; "He'd better not be out here!"

In case you have not recognized the situation, it's the usual Sunday afternoon ride scheduled from 2 to 4 on the agenda of many GWites. The figure eight pattern? . . . just the ride or route taken from Duffy's to Kelly's, from Kelly's to Duffy's, from Duffy's to Kelly's, from Kelly's

Faith Home Accepts Gifts

GWites met in the gymnasium for an SCA Christmas assembly of gift-giving and music today.

SCA representatives supplied their homerooms with boxes for canned goods and jars for donations to the Faith Home.

At the assembly the representatives brought the boxes in and placed them under a Christmas tree. Guy Johnson, president of the SCA, then presented the money collected to a person representing the Faith Home and afterwards spoke to the student body.

The freshman band entertained with numbers including German Christmas Festival, Spirit of Christmas, Snow White Fantasy and Christmas Suite. The varsity band played while the students entered and left the gymnasium.

To conclude the program Mr.

Linda Screams

When Linda Dance received her letter of acceptance to Averette College, she "screamed so loud that my grandmother thought my little dog was after me." Linda also disclosed, "I am really looking forward to all of the different experiences of college life even though I will be living at home."

Shirley Compton has also been accepted at Averett.

Woody Shows Surprise

"Surprise" was Woody Traylor's first reaction on discovering his early acceptance at Virginia Polytechnic Institute in Danville. Also accepted at VPI are Raymond Carter, Michael Hogan, Larry Newman, Alvin Petty, John Searcy, Ray Smart and Allen Wiles.

At Radford College Kay Huff is looking forward to "studying the things she wants to instead

for early acceptance are coming into the office every day. He said that all students who receive letters of acceptance should notify one of the guidance counselors.

Candelabra Shine As Jewish People Celebrate Holiday

Menorahs (candelabra) brightened the homes of Jewish families throughout the world December 8-15, when they celebrated the joyous holiday of Chanukah.

The festival commemorates the recapture and rededication of the Holy Temple. In 168 BC the Greek King Antiochus captured Jerusalem, defiled the Temple and tried to force the Greek religion upon the Jews.

Warrior Leads

On the twenty-fifth of the Jewish month Kislev in 165 BC Judah Maccabee, a great warrior, led the Jewish people in revolt, overthrew the Greeks and recaptured the Temple. It took eight days to purify and rededicate the Holy Temple. Therefore the holiday is also called the Feast of Dedication.

Menorah Burns Oil

Prior to the Greek capture of the Temple, a Menorah which was fed by ritually pure oil continuously burned there. When the Temple was recaptured, only a day's supply of oil was found. By some miracle this supply lasted eight days, giving the Jews time to make more oil. For this reason Chanukah is also known as the Feast of Lights.

Today the festival is celebrated by lighting a new candle on a menorah each night for eight nights. Presents are exchanged in honor of the happy celebration.

Yearbook Scores First at Columbia

Cavalier received a first place rating with the highest number of points any Cavalier has ever scored at the Columbia Scholastic Press Association held October 14 in New York City.

In order to receive a first place rating, a publication must score at least 850 out of a possible 1000 points. The 1966 Cavalier attained 947 points. This is one point more than the 1964 Cavalier, which received the highest honor of the Southern Interscholastic Press Association when it was awarded the trophy for its class.

Some GWites Abuse Use of Pay Phones

Used the pay phone during lunch lately? Or should we say, tried to use the pay phone during lunch lately?

For a majority of GWites, the last statement sounds more like the truth. When some students have a minor detail which they have to take care of during lunch, such as calling parents to inform them of an unexpected late return home or a make-up test which has to be taken, the pay phones always seem to be occupied.

After enduring 15 minutes of hush-hush conversation in which the caller feels you are intruding into her privacy, the discouraged student turns to the office for her need.

Surely the office personnel must get tired of the same old question, "May I use the phone?"

However students also get tired of futilely waiting for a phone to be free.

What can be done? Perhaps the telephone company could limit the talking time to five minutes per dime, or better still, the students could have a little more respect for the rights of others.

Honor Roll

SENIORS

Judy Adkins
Lisa Barker
Tom Barrett
Jimmy Barts
Steve Bass
Lee Bingham
John Borden
Vickie Bowman
Judy Carol Brown
Judy Colleen Brown
Michael Browning
Allethia Campbell
May Carter
Shirley Compton
Vivian Dalton
Linda Dance
Michael Dance

Mary Ann Bumgarner
Polly Byrd
Katherine Carter
Patsy Chandler
Rebecca Clark
Gayle Crane
Sheryl Dawson
Mike Fitzpatrick
Pat Floyd
Susan Floyd
Steve Gerringer
Carol Gravely
Ida Hall
Ellis Hodge
Carolyn Hudgins
Ruby Huff
Barbara Hyde
Nancye Isenhour
Cathy Jones
Kathy Kirby

Ella Sue Shelton
Karen Shields
Mary Shinkle
Mary Joyce Shumate
Carol Silverman
Sandra Stegall
Michael Stowe
Rena Swain
Jimmy Tate
Debbie Tuck
Beverly Turner
Ray Vanderwerff
Pam Van Tassel
Pete Viccellio
Carolyn Ward
Cathy White
Danny Wilkerson
Kathy Yates
Darlene Yeatts
Wileta York

**L
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By Jim Raper

Labor unions, their power and their extensive organization vie continually for headline space in present-day US news.

Hardly a day passes with no mention of a labor strike. Always we are confronted with the political prejudices a united mass of workers can demand.

Is Power Justified?

Is this power over industrial factions and the American democratic way justified?

Unions have previously experienced their importance in our country's progress. These labor guilds jacked common workers to dealings with management after our Industrial Revolution and at key periods thereafter.

Recently, though, labor's actions seem rooted with greedy rather than humanitarian motivations.

There is a limit to which labor can pursue management. Present situations forecast equal pay and benefits for all, with no margin for originality and individual effort.

Originality Characterizes May Carter

By Mary Martin

Paint usually graces her hands, splattered there from last night's art class. Later her efforts are revealed in cover designs for CTS, or prize-winning paintings at the fair. Here, the abstract lines are nearly as complex as the artist herself.

She sits in class, her long hair slightly disarranged, and hums a tune from Camelot. Louder strains complement the church choir on Sundays.

Receives Award

Presented the Vassar Alumnae Award last year for the most outstanding junior girl, the active student occupies part of her after-school time with Civics Club, IRC, Latin Club, and Sub-Debs where she is historian. As president of French Club, she organizes and directs with the same concentration and hard work that made her a member of the NHS.

Friends have commented on her as being "one of a kind," "absent-minded," "extremely funny," and a "complete nut."

When in her own habitat, she is always greeted enthusiastically by a large red Irish Setter named Flame. Her ingenuity finds no limits here at home. She may play the piano, invent weirdly-colored papier-mache bracelets, or simply lock herself in a room and study for several hours. Non-conformity is her trademark.

Makes Layouts

As managing editor of CTS, layout and design are her chief concern. CTS adviser Mr. Kenneth Miller, describes her as "extremely talented," especially in abstract art; an indispensable



By Robbie Beale, Nancy Newlin and Kathy Young

Timmy is a little boy
About the age of six.
If he bought Christmas presents by himself,
This is what he'd pick.

Father Soft belt
Mother Recipe book
Uncle Dave Mouthwash
Aunt Emmy Head and Shoulders
Sister Sally Football
Brother Bill Snowball machine

Tim now is in his teens.
The gifts he buys are quite different.
His relatives will get quite a shock
On this, his teenage Christmas.

Father Extra set of car keys
Mother Her own telephone
Uncle Dave Set of false teeth
Aunt Emmy Blonde wig
Sister Sally Date with Joe Namath
Brother Bill His own still

CAN YOU SEE

. . . Linda Ditches instead of Wells?
. . . Bobby Willebuick instead of Willeford?
. . . Richard Red instead of Greene?
. . . Sally Caution instead of Warren?
. . . Karen Spears instead of Shields?
. . . Jimmy Gardens instead of Parks?
. . . Beverly Flock instead of Hurd?
. . . Ronnie Bat instead of Ball?



MARCHING IN PRECISION TIME, the varsity band enchants parade watchers with various Christmas carols.

AFS Broadens Viewpoints

By Jim Raper

An AFS summer abroad offers great opportunity for students such as I to broaden their perspectives. As an exchange student I realized myself in proportion to the world instead of to a limited community. I conceived the immensity of my environment and on the other hand the minuteness of myself.

If someone were to ask me if my experiences this past summer changed me, altered my points of view or influenced my reasoning, I would have to say yes.

Refocuses Outlook

That I would be away from home for three months was enough to incite re-examination of my

pathetic toward foreign views which so often clash with our own.

Before my trip, I could never tolerate countries that overdid the nationalism bit; especially dinky little countries that don't seem to have anything to be nationalistic about. Now though I at least hesitate before passing judgment.

People Thought

In Germany many of the people I met thought that I had come to their country only to learn the language. The longer I remained in Berlin however, the more I realized how wrong they were.

If I had devoted most of my time to learning the language I might have failed to meet some of the folks whose acquaintance meant so much to me. Getting to

Berlin in a position to see Communism in action, that I now more appreciate our democratic way. Perhaps I look over traditional art in saying that everything we have is better, but to me it is.

Grass always looks better on the other side of the fence, or ocean, or border, so I had to look at America from the other side to appreciate it.

By Becky Waggoner

It's so far out that it's in, like Bat Man or Ozzie and Harriet."

Santa Claus Faces Unique Competition

By Kathleen Martin

It happened upon a midnight clear three weeks ago when shoppers were busy with their annual splurge and everybody was feeling stupendously generous. Holiday spirits were high and people in all parts of the world were eagerly anticipating the Christmas season.

In his icy domain, that hero of young and old, Jolly Old Saint Nicholas was busy wrapping his yearly handouts to greedy children everywhere. Ho, ho, ho-ing, he merrily began separating his Christmas list into good and bad girls and boys and instructing his busy elves on how to paint Christmas tree ornaments and design wrapping paper.

Stranger Disrupts

Suddenly his concentration was disrupted by a thunderous noise from the heavens. Out of the sky came a round ball of orange sporting a wide grin of supreme ecstasy and mischief radiating from his yellow eyes.

"Ho, ho, ho," he cried. "See, I can do it just as well as you."

Santa turned in utter shock and disbelief. "Who's that ho, ho, ho-ing?" he demanded. "No one's allowed that privilege but me."

"Ah, but you're not going to be for too long, Grandpa. I'm taking

over because I can't stand the competition. I want the love of children year-round, not just in October. Besides, I took a fancy to that long white beard of yours."

Santa Yells

"You'll never get away with it," yelled Santa. "You don't even look like me."

"Aw, I'm just as roly-poly as you are, and with a beard and that red suit you wear, I'll get by. The kids are asleep on Christmas Eve anyway."

"The reindeer will never obey you," Santa threatened.

"Sure they will, I've been practicing your voice for a year. You notice how well I did the ho, ho, ho. They'll never know it isn't you."

Visitor Leaps

And with that the strange visitor leaped on Santa. There was a long and frantic struggle but in the end Santa Claus was overcome and swallowed up by the orange thing--whole, of course, because no one would want to hurt him. Now he lives in the orange visitor's stomach.

So this Christmas don't look for Santa coming through the sky in his sleigh. It'll be the Great Pumpkin instead, ho, ho, ho!

Camp Movement Arrives Here

"Who was Sergeant Garcia in Zorro?" asks Vic with a wrinkle in his brow.

"Henry Calvin," replies Jim

3. Who played Gladys in December Bride?

4. What was Sid Ceasar's old show?

Refocuses Outlook

That I would be away from home for three months was enough to incite refocusing of my general outlook. Being on your own, starting without friends or enemies and working from there is an awkward situation. Total independence never quite unfolds in dreams.

I was in a position to associate with many different people with varied ideas. To make it better, I could think without the influences of my natural society.

Because I could experience the same influencing factors that motivate other people's actions, I feel that I am now more sym-

If I had devoted most of my time to learning the language I might have failed to meet some of the folks whose acquaintance meant so much to me. Getting to know the people seemed much more important than learning the language.

I realize more than ever now that the best way to gain knowledge is to associate with people.

In addition I believe that my patriotic views toward my own country have been strengthened. I am much prouder of America now than I was last year at this time. I confirmed what I had thought for a long time: that the best of everything can be found in our 50 states.

Maybe it's because I was in

By Becky Waggoner

It's so far out that it's in, like Bat Man or Ozzie and Harriet."

That's the opinion of Vic Shiflett, member of the CTSEditorial Staff, about the nationwide camp movement, which has managed to squeeze its way into the life of several inquisitive GWites.

Boys Get Together

Every day after lunch these senior boys, Steve Bass, Vic, Jim Smith and Woody Traylor, "get together" and think up questions about old television programs, movies and bands along with their answers.

Tony Recalls Yule at Home

By Sallie Stratton

Christmas began for most Guatemalans December 7 with the traditional "Quema del Diablo." As Tony Toledo, foreign exchange student, explained, this custom dates back to the Colonial Period (1500-1800). In every home two weeks ago a bonfire was built which the Guatemalans believed would make the devil leave their homes.

"This maybe was the original idea, but now it is only a traditional thing," related Tony.

Celebrate Posadas

For nine days from December 16 to December 24, these Spanish-speaking people celebrate with the "Posadas," a procession in which they put the Virgin Mary and Saint Joseph. Each day the "Posadas" goes to a different home where small parties are held after the religious ceremony. The house that receives the procession on the twenty-fourth holds a big party.

Christmas decorations in Guatemala include a Nativity scene in the living room or in the dining room.

"Some people like to make their Nativity scene as big as

the whole room. We call this Nativity scene 'Nacimiento,' informed the black-haired boy.

Just as in most countries of the world, Guatemala is a very busy place Christmas Eve.

Tony proved this when he stated, "In my home I work making the Nacimiento. My mother and sisters shop or work in the kitchen. Everybody has a job at home."

When their work is completed, Guatemalans begin visiting their neighbors and relatives. In every house there is a party, and there are also big dances sponsored by clubs or organizations.

At 12 o'clock everyone has to be at home for their midnight dinner. After the dinner the family "is divided."

Go to Parties

Tony explained, "The teenagers go to teen-age parties and the old people go to old-people parties. The difference is that the old ones go only to talk while the young go to dance."

All of the parties end at 4 or 5 o'clock in the morning when everyone goes home to bed.

One week later the New Year's celebration is held. Most of the

parties held at this time end at 6 o'clock in the morning. This does not end the Christmas celebration though.

On January 6 Tony's country celebrates the "Day of the Wisemen." All of the children place their shoes on the window sill the night before and the next morning they find coins in them.

Cherish Money

"Most of the time this money is only about 25 cents or 10, but in the hands of a boy or girl of five or six years that is a fabulous quantity of money," revealed Tony.

Guatemalans close their celebration on February 2 with the "Novenas al Nacimiento." On this day they take down their Nativity scenes and have parties.

Most of the year the temperature in this Central American country falls between 70 and 75 degrees Fahrenheit. In December it only comes down about 10 degrees.

In conclusion Tony, with his black eyes sparkling, remarked, "And we don't have a white Christmas, but we enjoy our celebration very much. ¡Feliz Navidad!"

"Who was Sergeant Garcia in Zorro?" asks Vic with a wrinkle in his brow.

"Henry Calvin," replies Jim without a thought.

They never look up any of the answers unless no one is able to come up with it, because that they consider cheating.

When asked the purpose of the camp movement, Vic replies, "It's simply a fad. These facts are useless and unimportant, but it gives us something to do."

This "inside joke," as they call it, began in New York about two years ago. Last year it worked its way into GW. At times as many as 20 boys would meet together to try to quiz each other.

Seldom Watches TV

Despite what one might think, Vic seldom watches television but is quite an authority on "who starred in what when."

Here is a sample quiz made out by the inquisitive foursome. Try it and test your wits.

Questions

1. Who starred in Kit Carson?
2. Who was the cab driver in Hawaiian Eye?

3. Who played Gladys in December Bride?

4. What was Sid Ceasar's old show?

5. Who was Clarabelle on Howdy Doody?

6. Who was host of Queen For a Day?

7. What was Johnny Ringo's gimmick?

8. Who was Howdy Doody's twin brother?

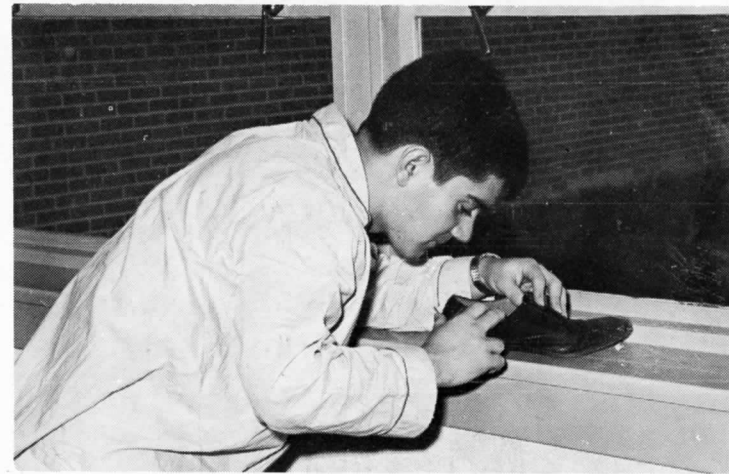
9. Who was Johnny Midnight?

10. Who played the Cisco Kid?

Answers

10. This has really proved to be a stumper, since the inquisitive four have yet to find the answer. Anyone knowing the answer please contact one of them.

1. Bill Williams
2. Pontie Ponce
3. No one, she was never shown on screen.
4. Show of Shows
5. Bob Keeshan (Captain Kangaroo)
6. Jack Bailey
7. He had a special gun which had a seventh shot.
8. Double Doody
9. Edmond O'Brien



PAJAMA-CLAD TONY TOLEDO inspects his shoe in preparation for the "Day of the Wisemen," when in his country children find coins in their shoes left on the window sill the night before.



The Underworld

Children Cite Wishes

By Pam Hays

Dear Santa,

This is almost the last time we can write to you. Golly, in one or two years, we'll be too old for this sort of stuff!

We really don't have a lot to ask. Actually we're quite easy to please. For instance George Brooks will be satisfied with a little old thirty-hour day and Karen Shields wants a locker that works.

If you'll let Jo Ann Moore have a twin sister named Marie, then all Buddy and Dickey Giles

need is a disguise kit (that's so you can tell them apart).

Presents Problems

Mathematics seems to be presenting some problems this year. If you can bring Jackie Fitts a trapezoid to help him with his geometry, then Martha Ward will be satisfied with a "magic pencil" that will do her algebra for her.

Santa, as you pass by Mark Reynolds' house on Christmas Eve, just holler in the window and tell Mark his feet do touch the floor when he sits at his desk. That's all he wants.

Bring a football to Melvin Fitzgerald and Alan McGregor. Then they won't have to play with a paper one. On the subject of

footballs, Rick Donaldson wants two actual-sized, authentic looking, yellow-and-black striped street barricades with real red flashing lights on top. That way he can block up the traffic so it won't interrupt his neighborhood football games anymore.

Requests Tricks

Judy Clements requests a new bag of tricks (her old ones won't get her out of class anymore).

A record by Freddie and the Dreamers heads David Cahill's Christmas list. If you can't find one, Elvis'll do.

Like we say, Santa, it's really not much that we want but if you bring it, we'll promise not to tell Daddy that you kissed Mommie under the Christmas tree.

Problems Confront Shoppers

By Maureen Love

As Christmas rushes up everyone gets jittery over those inevitable shopping problems. For most GWites, some people are harder to buy presents for than others.

Richard Greene has a hard time finding a present for his grandmother because he can't "give her a bike or anything."

Melanie Raper finds her best friend has everything while Jim

Zahn thinks his brother does, too.

Margaret Parker, Gail Powell, Kay Stephens and Dickie Thompson have fathers who need nothing in their offsprings' eyes.

Brother Torments

Katherine E. Carter's torment is selecting a gift for her little brother. "He hates everything I buy him," she sighed disgustingly.

Two younger sisters head Margaret Berkley's shopping list. Her problem is not knowing what they want.

Steve Bowles is among many boys who are puzzling over what to give their girl friends. "I don't know her size in anything," he commented with a downhearted grin.

The same problem crops up for Betty Bakas, Frannie Carter, Marty Haynsworth and Lindy Koplen. They have that same "size" problem.

Katharine Believes

Katharine D. Carter believes it's a terrible problem to buy for an out-of-town boy one hasn't seen for three months.

Andy Bridgforth's pocketbook never seems to hold enough to buy his parents' present since "it costs so much."

Kay Vernon and Scott Atkins think everyone is hard to buy for and are in a thorough state of confusion as the holiday season approaches.

Club News

Y-Teens Hang Greens; Latin Club Sees Santa

By Phyllis Murphy

All the Y-Teens clubs joined together and had their Christmas dance last Friday with music by the Soulmasters. All girls also participated in the "Hanging of the Greens" ceremony Saturday.

Highlighting the meeting of the Latin Club December 21 was a play about Santa Claus and Nero Presents, which were brought to fit each member's personality, were exchanged.

Spanish Club had its Christmas party at the monthly meeting Thursday, December 8. All members went caroling in Spanish, and upon returning to the

are going Christmas caroling tonight and then have a party afterwards at Betty Robertson's house. The members also participated in a bake sale on Saturday, December 10.

Mrs. Margaret Kushner showed slides, talked and showed relics she brought back from France at the French Club meeting December 7. The club went Christmas caroling last Thursday and afterwards went to May Carter's home for refreshments.

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buy his parents' present since "it costs so much."
Kay Vernon and Scott Atkins think everyone is hard to buy for and are in a thorough state of confusion as the holiday season approaches.

Who is the hardest person for Dirk Lea to select a gift for? "My dog because he just won't tell me what he wants."

were exchanged.
Spanish Club had its Christmas party at the monthly meeting Thursday, December 8. All members went caroling in Spanish, and upon returning to the school for their party they broke two piratas and were then served Christmas refreshments.
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All Future Teachers of America decided at the meeting on December 5 to send Christmas cards to Hung Tug, Mrs. Page Warren's adopted child in Hong Kong.
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Future Homemakers of America had a rummage sale at the curb market Saturday, December 10. The project they have now is selling cookbooks to get money for the club treasury.
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Discussing plans for their Christmas party, the Future Nurses of America met Wednesday, December 9. All members

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Snider Spider Rates Notice

By Gayle Goodson

"Ahhh!" screamed sophomore Peggy Roberts, as a gentle touch on her back brought her attention to the black, eight-legged creature which had descended there.

With another shriek she plucked the spider from her sweater and flung it into the air.

Mary Carter Morrow viewed the scene with fits of laughter, knowing that the culprit was actually her plastic good luck charm, affectionately known as Hortense.

Suddenly, like a villain in a melodrama, Mr. Dewey Snider, teacher of the sixth period French class, intervened and snatched up the creature.

"No, no. . . don't take Hortense!" cried Mary, as her delight changed to dismay.

However Mr. Snider relentlessly carried his captive away and buried it in the depths of his desk. At the end of the class Mary left, mourning her loss.

When the class began the next day, the students noticed a change in the room's decor. There on the blackboard, suspended among the multicolored fruit chewie wrappers (representations of various colors to first-year French students), was Hortense, properly labeled araignee, French for spider.

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Sports Spotlight

Throngs of Spectators Add Enthusiasm to GW Contests

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By John Borden

Spectators and athletes are both vital to a successful high school athletic program. The athletes, of course, do all the work and provide the entertainment, but an enthusiastic crowd always adds to the thrills of a contest.

At almost every game, the loudest group of cheerers is the student section. Anyone who would stand up an entire basketball game in order to cheer his team more effectively must have a lot of school spirit.

Parents Root

Another group of ardent rooters, although more subtle than the students, are the parents of the players. They proudly watch from the sidelines and share their sons' emotions.

Many spectators come mainly for the atmosphere of being where everyone else is. Groups of people talking and small chil-

dren running around with complete disregard for the game are commonplace.

Then there is the average spectator who watches with interest but who limits his excitement to the high points of the game.

Tying all of them together are the cheerleaders. They try to coordinate all of the cheering voices into a distinct sound, au-

dible to the athletes. The lively cheerleaders also try to build up excitement in order to encourage the crowd to cheer more.



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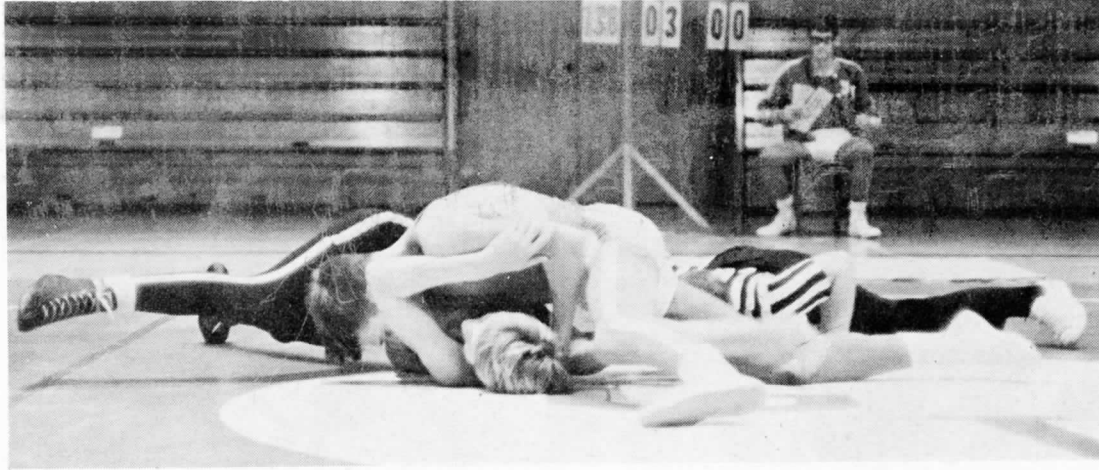
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RICHARD BRIDGFORTH ATTEMPTS to pin his opponent in the 145-pound class. He was successful in 1:38 of the first period at the Pulaski match.

Grapplers Pin Eight for 40-18 Win

Numerous pins carried the GW matmen to a 40-18 victory over William Fleming Thursday night in a district wrestling match.

The victory gave GW its first win of the season, bringing its record to 1-0 in the Western district and 1-1 overall.

Eight pins accounted for the matmen's 40 points, the highlight being a 50-second pin by Sylvester Carey in the 103-pound weight division. Other pins by

Chuck Rawley, Jerry Marsella, Robert Anderson, Lacy Lowe, Richard Bridgforth, Julius Parris and Lou Prete rounded off GW's scoring.

Results Follow

Results by weight divisions follow.

95--Dorr was pinned by Smith in 4:29.
103--Carey pinned Spoon in 50 seconds.

112--Rawley pinned Slusher in 1:28.
120--Marsella pinned Sturgill in 3:22.
127--Anderson pinned Chandler in 2:41.
133--Wells was pinned by Pendleton in 2:30.
138--Lowe pinned Williamson in 2:27.
145--Bridgforth pinned Jones in 1:21.
154--Parris pinned Kitts in 1:20.
165--Prete pinned White in 1:09.
180--Aaron was decided by Beckner 11-2.
Heavyweight--PICKERAL was pinned by Weaver in 3:51.

Pulaski Defeats

Pulaski defeated the Cards 34-16 in the only other match of the season. Pins by lettermen Rawley and Bridgforth, along with decisions by first-year-men Parris and Richard Dorr, resulted in GW's 16 points.

Freshman Team Whips Bartlett Yancey 50-23

In a 50-23 romp the baby Cardinals defeated the Bartlett Yancey baby Buccaneers Friday in the GW gym.

This was the season's third win for the frosh and the second over the baby Buccaneers. The frosh encountered their lone loss against the Halifax County baby Comets.

After the frosh took a commanding lead at half time, Bartlett Yancey never threatened again. Coach Sonny Wall sub-

stituted his reserves freely during the second half.

Pacing the frosh to victory were Allen Herndon and Richard Adams, both with 10 points.

Williamson paced the baby Bucs with six points.

Frosh Whip Franklin

GW's freshman basketball team defeated Franklin County 48-25 in the Cardinal gym last Thursday.

A commanding lead was taken by the frosh after the first two minutes of play, and their lead was never threatened the rest of the way. The frosh led at half time 26-19. After the half Coach Sonny Wall substituted his reserves freely the rest of the game.

"Foul shooting helped us to the victory," stated Coach Wall. "We hit 20 out of 28 attempts at the line."

Halifax Defeats

Halifax County defeated the baby Cards 45-32 at the Halifax gym December 8. The frosh stuck with the Comets during the first half, only to be trailing at the half by five points. During the third quarter the Comets pulled away from the freshmen to insure their victory.

Coach Wall commented, "We played good ball although the third quarter killed us. We only made 30 per cent of our shots at the foul line and did worse than that from the floor.

"They had a boy named Maxwell, who pulled down 24 rebounds," continued the coach. "Their coach said it was the best freshman team he's ever had."

Birds Win Opener

In the season opener the baby Birds defeated Bartlett Yancey 45-16 at the Bartlett Yancey

To end the pre-holiday wrestling season, GW will meet Reidsville there tonight.

The match with Jefferson Senior that was snowed out last Tuesday has not been rescheduled yet.

Johnson Makes Group 1-A Team For Grid Efforts

Guy Johnson, a co-captain and three-year letterman at tackle on the GW football squad, has been named to the first team all-state football team by the Associated Press. Johnson was one of only three players on the team from the Western District.

A leader on offense and defense this year, he made first-string all-Western District two weeks ago. This led to his election on the all-state team, since only first-string players in their district can be considered.

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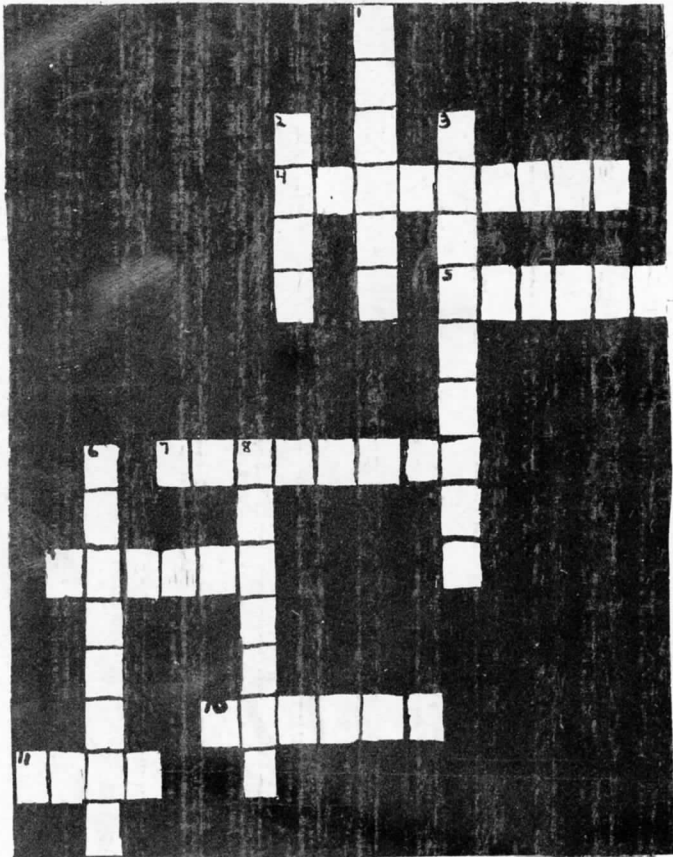


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4. Senior member Bobby
5. The Patrick Henry game was on
7. Opponents on December 16.
9. Senior member Paul
10. Senior member Ray
11. Senior member Bob

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1. Senior member A. B.
2. Was last Tuesday's game home or away?
3. Our opponent Tuesday night.
6. Senior member Don
8. The Jefferson game was on _____ night?



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Bartlett Yancey never threatened the Cards' lead during the whole game. In this contest the frosh shot 50 per cent from the floor and 65 per cent from the charity stripe.

Rickey Wells led the frosh scoring with 12 points and Harvey Willis followed up with 11 points.

"We out rebounded and out hustled the other team," said Coach Wall. "Everybody played in the first game. We shot real well."

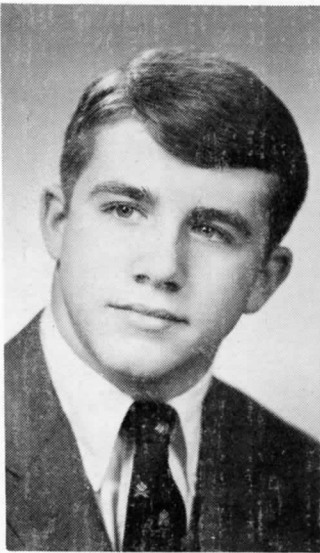
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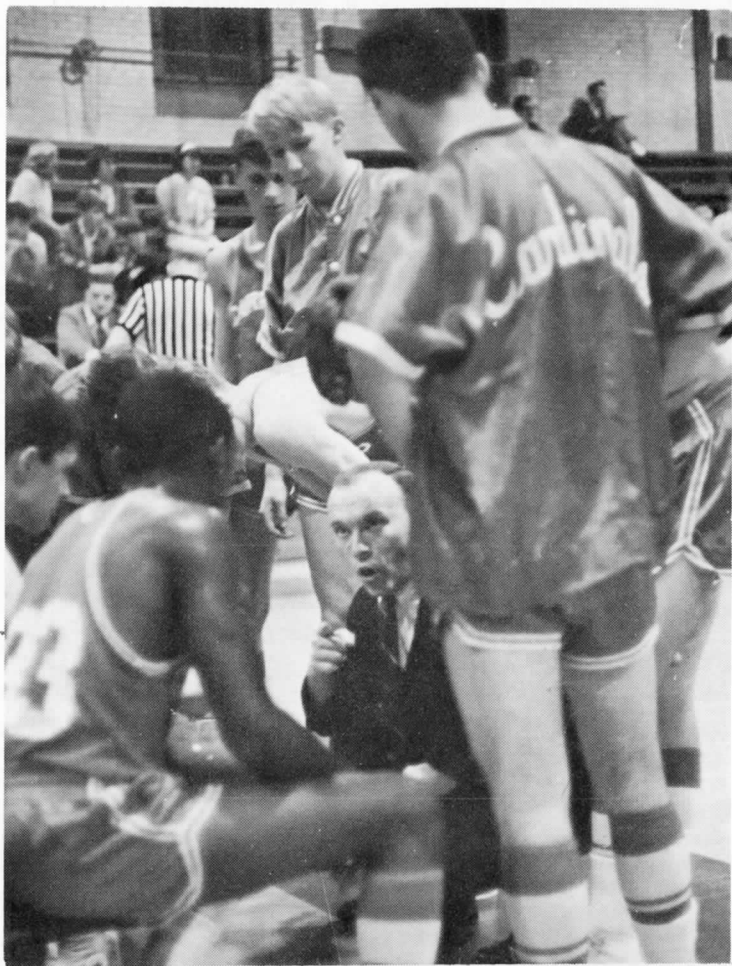
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J. V. ROUNDBALLERS LISTEN intently as Coach Dave Brown gives words of advice during their successful game with Glass.

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Patriots Shade Birds 55-54 In Overtime Encounter Here

By Rick Bendall

Victories over Fieldale-Collinsville and Jefferson and losses to Glass and Patrick Henry take the varsity basketball team into the Christmas holidays with a 2-2 record.

Patrick Henry dropped a clutch basket with five seconds remaining to take a 55-54 overtime win from the Cardinals here Friday night.

GW led for almost the entire game until the final buzzer when the score was tied 51-51.

In the three-minute overtime period the Patriots scored two on the opening tip. Don Griffith with a foul shot and Bobby Willeford with a basket put the Redbirds ahead 54-53 with about 40 seconds left. Then the Patriots' Wire hit a jumper from the corner for the final score.

Paul Siddle paced GW with 23 points. Other scorers were Willeford, 13; Griffith, 6; Bendall, 5; Barrick, 4, and Carson, 3.

got the ball, drove down the court and hit a jumper from the top of the key. From that point on the Card's offense and defense fell into place, and it was all George Washington.

All five GW starters erupted for five straight baskets to vault into a 28-27 lead, and the team never lagged again.

The Magicians managed to come within five at 46-41 but clutch free throws by Don Griffith, Paul Siddle and Bobby Willeford and another basket by Barrick pulled the home-town roundballers out of the fire.

Willeford Leads

Willeford headed the Cardinal scoring with 14, Griffith, 12, and Barrick, 11. Siddle came through with 9 while doing an outstanding job on Ricky Adams, the Magicians' leading scorer. Ray Carson also chipped in 7 for the winners.

The basketballers made their home debut on December 10 by

toppling the Fieldale-Collinsville Cavaliers 56-42.

Another "ragged" first half let the Cards linger in danger most of the night. Although the locals were leading 31-23 at halftime, they were far from their best.

Cavaliers Close Gap

In the third quarter Fieldale-Collinsville pulled within five at 39-34, but the Redbirds' fast-breaking offense set the pace in the final stanza and kept the Birds ahead.

Veteran Coach Jimmy Bryant and his E. C. Glass Hilltoppers spoiled the Cards' season opener with an overpowering 46-38 victory in Lynchburg December 9.

The Birds just could not cope with big Tom Trice who literally rebounded the Glassmen to victory. He scored 19 points, and 14 of them were rebounds he put back in.

Cards Come Back

Senior Eddie Barrick provided the spark as the Cardinals took a 54-43 comeback victory over the Jefferson Senior Magicians in Roanoke last Tuesday.

After a completely dead first half both offensively and defensively, the GW roundballers found themselves trailing 24-15 at intermission.

However the second half was entirely different. Barrick made his first appearance on the court when Jefferson led 27-18. He

JV's Bow to Patriots

By Ida Hall

Patrick Henry Patriots led all the way to beat the GW jayvees 51-50 here Friday night.

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The GW jayvees proved their skill at making comebacks in the game with Fieldale-Collinsville.

The Redbirds slipped past the Cavaliers in the fourth period with only 11 seconds remaining and snatched the victory 33-32.

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GW never could pull out in front, but their tremendous effort to do so was shown especially in the fourth quarter. During this period the Redbirds brought their score within two points of winning. Time was a major factor against the Birds in the last quarter.

Maynard Reynolds scored 20 points, followed by Howard Dunn with 10.

Jefferson Senior Magicians upset the jayvees 59-41 in Roanoke last Tuesday night.

Playing before a crowd of about 100, the Magicians led the way to victory early in the first quarter by a score of 11-5.

Fouls troubled the Redbirds. By the end of the first half GW had already made 15.

Jefferson's height enabled them to maneuver about the Cardinals and score.

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The Cavaliers widened their lead to four points with 50 seconds left. Pressured by their opposing team, the GW jayvees fought harder to get possession of the ball. With seconds before the clock would run out, the Cards had come within two points of leading. Then Reynolds sank a two-pointer putting the GW team ahead.

In the JV season-opener December 9, the Redbirds toppled the Hilltoppers of E. C. Glass 45-38.



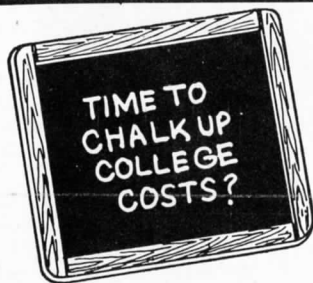
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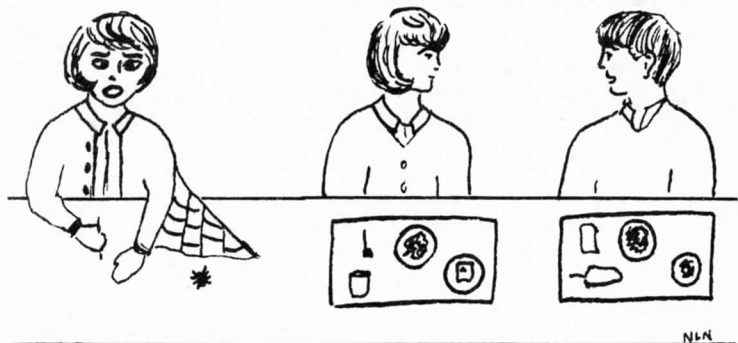
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The Shock of It All



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Boards Bring Misery For Nervous Seniors

By Rita Greenspon

Misery is having to get up at 7:15 a.m. on a cold Saturday morning and go to school! However that's what you had to do if you took College Entrance Examinations December 3.

To start things off there was a mad scramble as you pushed through hundreds of other students in order to get to your assigned room. Then after you got comfortably seated some teachers came in. They took one look around and told you there must be a desk between each student. It took a few minutes to get reorganized but soon you were ready to start.

Preliminaries Continue

It wasn't time yet though. First roll had to be taken and tickets checked. A look of panic crossed the faces of those who had forgotten the little white cards. It was okay though as long as their name was on the roll.

back to sleep while the more unfortunate ones had to get a quick lunch before they returned for several more hours of achievement tests.

Cards' History Reveals Tradition

By Katherine Carter

An English gentleman leaned out the window on Christmas morning to shout, "A Merry Christmas" to his friends and neighbors, and so began the tradition of a special greeting on Christmas.

Later on schoolboys kept up the tradition by "Christmas pieces," carefully written letters at the approach of the holiday to show off progress in composition and handwriting.

According to W. S. Walsh in Curiosity of Popular Customs, these sheets of writing paper were sometimes decorated with "those hideous and elaborate pen flourishes forming birds, scrolls, etc. so unnaturally dear to the hearts of writing masters

and was the size of a lady's card.

People didn't really catch on to the idea until 1862, when Charles Goodall and Sons of London began printing and selling the cards on a wide scale. These cards bore only the inscription of "A Merry Christmas" and "A Happy New Year." Later on came robins and holly branches,

Riflery Interests Teacher

By Naomi Hain

Teachers at GW have been known to have hidden talents, but Miss Anne Ratcliffe, chemistry teacher, quite likely outcores them all.

Among other things, Miss Ratcliffe plays the guitar and confesses to a very deep interest in music, especially the Baroque period.

She also enjoys dramatics and in this field was the assistant director of the senior play. She became interested in dramatics in high school and in college worked on set design and construction.

Likes to Shoot

Going on, Miss Ratcliffe explains her membership in the National Rifle Association, "In high school I started in the rifle club for the Girl Scouts, kept it up and even taught rifle firing in camp."

Since photography is another of Miss Ratcliffe's interests she

serves as sponsor of the Photography Club at GW.

Hailing from Beckley, W. Va., Miss Ratcliffe traveled to Lynchburg where she attended Randolph-Macon College because "my mother and three aunts went there and also because I liked what I saw."

Majors in Chemistry

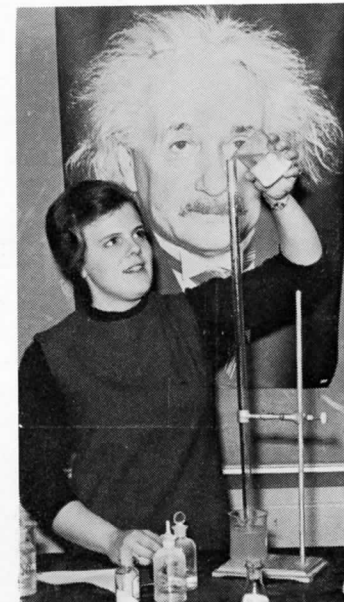
At Randolph-Macon she majored in chemistry. Why? "I got a chemistry set when I was 10 years old and since then I've always been interested in it."

The brown-haired chemistry teacher also worked as a research assistant in Harvard Medical School last year and found out that "I was not as interested in research as I thought I might be."

To round off the list, Miss Ratcliffe lives with two other GW teachers, Miss Joanna Headsteam and Miss Barbara Tuggle. Included in their apartment are a homemade table and bookcases.

Finally, in her first year of

teaching, Miss Ratcliffe enjoys it "very much." Explaining, she comments, "I enjoy working with people and teaching is one of the best ways to be in contact with people."



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Finally the test booklets were handed out and you proceeded with the tedious task of blackening the spaces for your name, address, etc. on the answer sheet.

Nervousness Prevails

Then at long last it was time to begin the test. Nervousness was your only emotion as you turned to the first question. After what seemed like only ten minutes, you heard "Stop!" What, already? You'd only done half of them.

In this frustrating manner the three hours allotted for the test passed quickly. A sigh of relief was emitted as everyone put down his pencil and prepared to leave. Some were heading home to go

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