

SECESSION ON THE MOVE

Concern for the student body of Christian Brothers is everybody's concern, but some take it more serious than others and Howard Taft the student body secretary, has started the secession movement. This is to give the homerooms equal representation, and not for the student body government to take power in all events that are going to

happen. And in the past month this movement has been increasing.

The reason is rather simple. There was a waiting period of at least two weeks, and there was a lot of talking to the homerooms and a lot of thinking over, and maybe a change for the better. But during this time there was a put-down by the student gov-

ernment and this movement for equal representation was almost passe. But by support by some junior and sophomore homerooms, the thoughts were still in the minds of many and things were not completely hopeless.

Students began thinking on the issue after some homerooms approved the idea and wanted the idea thought over. Again this

movement would enable class councils as well as each homeroom to put off an activity without the permission of student government. This would greatly reduce the power of the student government, but would still be under control.

According to Howard Taft this movement would be exactly how it was explained to the stu-

dents. This would go all the way if it got stronger and it is getting much stronger, because it's being supported by at least half and it is still growing by the student body. Howard also says that other classes are not getting representation, and that the seniors are dominating the student body government, by Barry Dallas

Committee Begins Constitution Revision

It seems like there are more problems with our present constitution and although this may read like an article from last year's newspaper, Mike White, SB President, has called for a Constitutional Revision Committee. Mike tells why, "There are two basic reasons why we are going to have a CRC. One is that there seems to be certain groups in the school who are complaining about too much power in the Office of Student Body President. Second, last year the CRC spent most of their time arguing among themselves and when it came time to put what they had on paper, well, it was a complete rush job.

Mike Scully, SB Vice-Pres., brought out one point asking where in our Constitution did the V.P. have to be Parliamentarian. Like so many other things that was just considered to be a traditional job. The new CRC will clear up these matters.

The CRC meetings will prove lively with some fireworks in store. Among some committee members are Mike White and Mike Scully who are staunch supporters of the present constitution and Howard Taft, a backer of the Secession Movement which calls for an elimination of Student Body Officers.

Howard Taft.

BREAD STRIKE HITS C.B.

The recent Bread strike by many West Coast Bakers has affected our cafeteria by forcing changes in the menu of lunches and snacks. For example, a few of the snacks that have been lacking are pies, donuts, Suzy-Q's, and other such Hostess items. Not to mention the lunch that many students buy and are particularly angry about not having are the hot dogs and hamburgers.

This cut of supplies forces many students to bring their lunch which ends up in the cafeteria losing money, although this is probably made up for by not having to buy the food from the stores and bakeries.

With the hot lunches, the usual white bread has been replaced by corn bread, which is actually more nutritious. The company that the sixty-cent torpedoes and other sandwiches is not on strike at this moment.

At first, the student reaction (those who buy lunch and other food that has been cut) was frustration and anger. After a few days people calmed down but were still simmering.

Finally, it was realized that nothing could be done about it until the Bakers Union (employees) and their employers came to an agreement on a contract. So people just accepted it and are calmly waiting until we can be re-supplied.

This bread strike reduces the amount of work that has to be done by the cafeteria workers. Negotiations seem to be at a standstill between the Bakers and the employees.

Until the bread strike is over, we will have to be content with chips, torpedoes, sandwiches, hot lunches, or our own lunch.

C.B. HEADLINERS, whose job it is to publicize school activities through outside media, gather around the typewriter to take turns practicing typing under the direction of their moderator, Mr. Hughes.

Baskets need food

During the last two weeks there has been a drive for getting food for the poor for this Christmas. This was started for Thanksgiving and each homeroom was asked to bring in a basket, with students in each room to bring about 3 cans or boxes of food.

So now the same idea for Christmas baskets is taking place and under the direction of Kevin Valline, food is needed to give to the radio station Kandle so they can distribute it to needy families. The baskets that were given for Thanksgiving were poor and not many homerooms gave.

So for the Christmas holiday food is needed. The last day is the 22nd for all food to be in. Some homerooms are starting out like they did for the first baskets for Thanksgiving and there are only in some homerooms, eight to nine cans or boxes.

P.O.W. wife speaks out

Christian Brothers has set aside the week of December 11 to the 15, to remember our friends in North Viet Nam who have been captured.

In honor of that week Terry Foley brought a wife of a POW, Mrs. Ford, to give a talk to the student body. After her talk was over she let anyone ask questions about the POW situation in Viet Nam.

Sophomores Take The Cake On Activities

In this year of everyone claiming to be better than everyone else, one cannot help but choose out of bias. So it is no use trying to figure out who is the best. But it is well worth the time to devote a few lines to a class who has proved they are worth their weight in salt. That is the Sophomore Class.

The list is not long with mediocre achievements. But what they have done has turned out excellent. Take Casino Night. Other Spirit Week activities were very good, but Casino Night will not only turn out to be an event that will be long remembered but the way it was put off was a feat in itself. First the Soph. Class Council started out planning for this activity

in September. Each homeroom took charge of an activity. Such as 109 was in charge of the roulette wheels and Gym North handled the Blackjack tables. So it wasn't just scattered individuals doing all the work in the name of the class but rather each homeroom was involved. The Sophomore Class was the Hennessy, 101; Pete Haley 204; only class that presented a float at the Homecoming Parade. chard 109; Mario Montes, Gym Most of the work was done by North and the one and only 211 with Mr. Maulman contributing the boat.

The Sophomores also dominate the Talon. Editors are Barry Dallas, Bill Alston, and

John Mc Pike. Staff writers are Tim Bernardis, Mike McIntosh, Mario Montes and Howard Taft.

To Joe Greco, Class President; Steve Trejo, Vice-President; Gary Guerro, Secretary - Treasurer; and the following Homeroom presidents: Steve Hennessy, 101; Pete Haley 204; Tobey Puente 211; Wayne Blanford 109; Mario Montes, Gym North and the one and only 211 with Mr. Maulman, along with the rest of the Sophomore Class, the whole school salutes you and says to you "Carry on men, you've done good."

STUDENT BODY HOSTS CHRISTMAS SHOW TODAY

'Tis the day before Christmas vacation, and all through the school, many a creature is stirring, for this afternoon brings the C.B.S. Christmas Special in the gym during periods 5 and 6. While homeroom 104 (Jim's Jollies?) prepares their dramatic presentation of the plight of the Christmas hoboes, the returning Doobie Brothers of 205 tune up their kazooos for some Christmas sounds. And this, of course, is only a hint of what the show has in store for the students before

they break away from school in Christmas cheer.

"Riding on the success of the first C.B. Variety Talent Show produced by the Juniors during Spirit Week, Br. Martin promises that this Christmas Special has shaped up at least as well. If all goes as planned, costumes will enhance more of the acts this time, and more unfamiliar students will give fresh life.

"Although some of the budding actors in the show are returning for another round of applause, some new faces and acts include: Freshman Greg Franchi (109) who will provide background accordion music for a rumored Maf: meeting right here in our gym; watch out for the loaded (or volited!) "Lightbulb and the Sock-ets"; and English Class 73-X (X equals unknown) has some "incriminating" teacher - impersonations (the truth will out!) and more! But why give it away?

In addition to a continuing, steady diet of political satire (209 presents Nixon and Agent Jones), some commercials (Granny Goose meets Mother Nature!), a decorated stage and lighting, the Christmas show expects to produce a few surprises for teachers and students alike!

SNOW FALLS AT C.B.

There were snowball fights for about two days at our fair school.

It started to snow on the 12th of December around noon. And when everyone went to school the next day the white stuff was all over the ground.

People just freaked out. Many poor people were thrown in the cold snow by their friends or enemies.

Some took the advantage to write their homeroom number in the snow.

The next day the only snow left was in the shade but everyone made the best of it.

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Letters to the Editor Our Readers Right

Dear Editor:

I read your article about SG and I became very upset with it. I feel that the ordinary student that reads that would think there is nothing but mass confusion going on. We got a lot done and I think we had a very successful Spirit Week.

I also don't like the recognition the Sophs got for their very successful Casino Night. They said nothing about the Variety Show or any other activities. I needed a magnifying glass to read about the Jr.'s Variety Show compared to Casino Night. I think that article was very biasedly written and I think we could do without articles like that.

Jerry Marquardsen Jr. Class Pres.

Dear Mr. Marquardsen,

Questions have arisen concerning the favoritism the sophomore class has been shown in this paper. As one of the editors I feel I can answer these questions as to why there is this favoritism.

To begin with there is no denial of these claims, and in fact there is quite a tendency to lean toward sophomore activities in the articles that appear in this paper. There is a simple explanation for all of this.

A republican owned newspaper certainly does not endorse democrats in an upcoming election, and vice-versa. Likewise, the republican owned paper would not slander republican candidates and would most likely out-do themselves to do just the opposite.

Since this paper is dominated by sophomores, it naturally becomes evident in the articles published by the paper. Although there are a few others, all of the editors and about half the staff are sophomores. The others, for the most part juniors, are of invaluable assistance. One is a co-editor in this issue.

This article is intended to clarify not antagonize.

Bill Alston

Dear Editor:

If anyone can remember back to Friday, December the eighth's announcement that I, Mike McIntosh, was to ride around Lake Tahoe, and then write about my experience in the Talon, you can see I didn't do it.

It wasn't that I was chicken, I didn't do it for a number of reasons. The biggest reason was that there was too much snow on the ground and on the road. A car was going down the road and seeing me riding in the snow would probably freak out and cause an accident with me in the middle of it.

Another reason is the temperature. It got down to -25 degrees below zero the night I was to ride. The high was only about 10 degrees above zero. I am not about to freeze to death just for a story in the paper.

I went to Rio Vista instead of Tahoe that day. And you can find my story on page three.

Mike McIntosh.

Dear Mike:

Pick up your pay check in my office.
Editor -

Dear Editor:

With all the cries for freedom and more responsibility that you can hear from some students, I do believe we can start in our own backyard. After both lunch periods it is disgraceful to look out over the school grounds at the hunks of food, paper and garbage left behind by students who say they want freedom. And those same students are the ones who are cutting across the grass in their mad rush to go to the lunch line or class and turning the grounds into a mud field.

If the students want freedom they had better show that they are mature and responsible enough to handle it. The only way we'll keep the freedom of eating on the school grounds is by not abusing it. Let's we have to fence in the grounds to protect it from students who want freedom.

Howard Taft
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Galvanized Can and a Rusty SC

The following incidents would be very funny if it wasn't such a true reflection of how Student Congress feels towards the Homerooms.

On Nov. 30, Howard Taft proposed that he head a Homeroom of the Week committee that would award a trophy to the most outstanding homerooms and use the P.A. system and display case to promote the event. The proposal also included buying a trophy for \$20 to \$25. It passed unanimously. Mike White asked Howard to keep the price of the trophy under \$40 if possible. On Dec. 7, SC denied the money for the trophy and paper which was \$26.30, on the grounds that we already had a trophy to be given to homerooms, a tin can. So SC expected the Homeroom of the Week committee to award a tin can to the most outstanding Homerooms.

The idea behind his committee was to award a trophy once every two weeks to Homerooms that went above and beyond the call of Homeroom duty. But since SC denied any funds for the committee that they established, there will now be no Homeroom of the Week.

SC had \$2,500 in the treasury but to give \$26.30 for awards to the homerooms was too much to ask. As Steve Kinnear, SB Treasurer said, "This expense (\$26.30 for homerooms) is just too much. We can't afford it." So SC has proved to be real politicians, say one thing and do another, penny-pinchers beyond all reason and totally unconcerned about Homerooms.

Homerooms, isn't it about time you did something about your Student Government. SC has given you a tin can. Are you going to take it?

By Howard Taft.

Happy Hellmas

The birth of our religion's most influential leader is apparently going to pass us by wrapped in folds of green and red greed.

When Christmas time nears, people think of receiving presents, time off from their daily drudgeries, and one more chance to get something for nothing.

Christmas is the birthday of Christ, not a holiday for Satan. Materialistically, most everyone profits during this time of the year which was originally set aside for the spiritual aspects rather than the material ones.

Many people don't even stop for a minute to consider Christ while they are hustling, chasing bargains, and trying to get to those sales before their neighbors buy everything out. "Who has time to think of Him while all this work has to be done.

What many don't realize is that if they had stopped to think of Him in the first place they wouldn't have these hassles. The only real hassle is their blindness, or possibly their unwillingness to see the situation.

The blame can't be put on any one person or group of persons. The blame belongs to man. That's right, my friend, the both of us.

The only reason for losing all sense of what Christmas means, stems from man losing his conscience.

When someone sits down to a meal without thinking of the people who are not going to eat, many of whom live within walking distance of his home, when a child proceeds to destroy his over-abundance of toys received on Christmas, without knowing that there are people who haven't even got enough clothes to keep them warm, it makes one stop to wonder just what is to become of them when they need help. If your conscience is clean I suggest you just burn this paper. Since I don't see any smoke, see you all in Hell.

By Bill Alston.

RUDY'S USED XMAS TREES

As I trudge along between the rows of bent mishapen twigs which are all daying of some strange, unknown disease familiar only to Santa Claus and God, I peer up at the sign above the entrance, it reads, "Honest Rudy's Used Xmas Trees"

What can one expect if he waits until Christmas Eve before buying his tree. "Well," I mutter to myself, "it's my fault."

Slowly I ramble back to the shack at the entrance to this God-forsaken graveyard of foliage. Before I realize what's happening to me I trip and fall across a row of trees marked, "3 ft. and under."

As I collect my wits I find myself carrying on a none-too-friendly conversation with Rudy himself and I end up paying \$10.50 all together to cover for the damaged merchandise which I so unceremoniously destroyed. If only great-grandfather could see me now.

To begin with he would have been thoroughly annoyed at the very thought of paying for something so easily obtainable by other means, especially a Christmas tree.

You are probably picturing in your mind a man laying an axe to a tree so that his family may decorate it colorfully to help with the passing of the yuletide. Perish the thought, in all actuality my great-grandpappy was a thief.

"Anything That Isn't Nailed Down Alston!" they used to call him. I'll leave the translation up to you.

If I didn't know better I'd swear Rudy had a touch of my ancestors in him.

With the payment of the damaged goods and the disheartening atmosphere of the afternoon throbbing in my brain I decided to call it a day but not without saying goodbye to my newly acquired friend.

Nonchalantly I saunter up to the shack which ole' Rudy calls his office. One swift kick and unintentionally the whole structure collapses before my eyes. As the sound of muffled obscenities reaches my ears, I chuckle to myself, "Jesus, I don't know my own strength."

Santa Cares

It was not so long ago that we were all making that trip up the aisle to sit on the lap of that old man in the funny red suit. We were excited and probably scared, but we knew it had to be done in order to get all those gayly wrapped packages under the lighted evergreen on Christmas morning.

In his lap we sat, as this jolly, friendly old man asked us what we would like to receive for being good all year.

We all trusted and loved him and we knew he was our friend, so on Christmas Eve we would leave cookies and a glass of milk for the weary traveler who was a friend to all of us.

Santa has visited us many times now and given us a great many things, but the greatest gift of all, that feeling of love caring, has all but disappeared.

Giving of gifts has become so commercialized that the true reason for its existence has fallen aside and taken a less important role. Santa and Christ have been put aside and Christmas has become a holiday for the greedy.

by Frank Werry.

What D'ya NEED?

there is no conflict in schedule.

Some of the courses already being offered are, cooking, beginning water-skiing, an ecology field trip, a hunting instruction course, and math tutoring.

In the case of the ecology field trip the preceding weekend is to be used. It is also possible to use the weekend after, or both, if necessary.

By today all questionnaires should have been filled out and returned to Brother Ronald, so that they can be okayed.

By February 16 everyone will

be required to have registered for a course or courses.

On March 2nd, every student will be required to re-register for the final time. The courses he chooses this time will be the ones he actually participates in.

April may seem like a long way off but now is the time to start work on your course. The sooner you submit a course, the better the chances of receiving it. The availability of the classes is on a first come, first serve basis. So get to work and fulfill your NEED.

The Two-Wheeled Tripper

Ride Down to Rio

If you have been planning a bike ride for that new ten speed you hope to get this Christmas well, here it is. Not the ten speed, the bike ride!

It's 73 miles of road, cold, river, dogs, and wind. You'll go from south Sacramento to Rio Vista and back again.

The ride will take from seven to eight hours. It can take longer depending on how strong the wind is.

Wear warm clothing. In the morning the temperature can go below freezing. It got so cold when I took this trip my water-bottle was frozen from 7 o'clock to 11 o'clock.

The best place to start is Freeport Boulevard and Florin Road, in the south area. You can get there by going down 21st Street which will turn into Freeport Boulevard at Broadway.

Head south on Freeport. You should stay on this road for most of the way down.

As you ride you will pass through many small towns and farms. Stop for a rest just before the town of Courtland, and watch the grape pickers pick.

Just after Walnut Grove look for a sign that says "Isleton 10

miles." Take the bridge next to it that heads west, it will take you to Isleton and Rio Vista.

Isleton still survives, even after the floods they had a while back. As you leave the town you can see the water and the dirt dikes left behind.

Four miles after Isleton you will come to another bridge you should cross the Highway 12 bridge. This one takes you right into Rio Vista.

Take the sidewalk to the left of you if the one on the right is closed. Walk your bike down the steps from the bridge to the road.

The first street you come to, head north. It should take you to a ferry boat. The ride only takes a few minutes and it doesn't cost a cent. When you get off the boat, head north.

If you are hungry, now you are out of luck. There isn't a store around for sixteen miles.

You can take a lunch with you, or pick some food up at Rio Vista, or starve for sixteen miles like I did. The name of the first store is "Tom's Fountain."

Take the road just in front of the store and start riding

north. Be on the lookout for dogs! If you do come across some do not stick your foot out. That would make you their lunch. Just stop and get off your bike. They won't run after you any more because of dogs, running after bikes, is just a game.

Turn east on Clarksburg Road. This is one of the best roads you'll ride on. There is a space to ride on just off the road that is about four feet wide. At the end of that road head north on the river road. There is no real name for it, the only reason I call it the river road is because you're back on the Sacramento River.

Take the next bridge to Freeport, and then head north again. Three miles later, you're done.

If you plan to take this ride on a foggy day, make sure you have a reflector or a light, because the fog can get awful thick.

By Mike McIntosh



Bike Map—Ride to

Rio Vista and Back

Direct to our housetop
The reindeer then sped
With the sleigh full of toys
And St. Nick at the head;
And then like an earthquake
I heard on the roof
The clomping and pounding
Of each noisy hoof!

Before I could holler
A warning of doom,
The whole aggregation
Fell into the room;
And under a mountain
Of plaster and brick
Mingled in-laws and reindeer
And me and St. Nick;

He panted and sighed
Like a man who was weary;
His shoulders were stooped
And his outlook was dreary
"I'm way behind schedule,"
He said with a sigh
"And I've been on the road
Since the first of July!"

'Twas then that I noticed
The great, monstrous sack,
Which he barely could hold
On his poor, creaking back;
"Confound it!" he moaned,
"Though my bag's full of toys,
I'm engulfed by the birthrate
Of new girls and boys!"

The issue of sewage disposal planning and financing may prove to be one of the most critical the Committee will face.

Gifts for the Faculty

Here are some gift ideas for some of the members of the faculty if you would like to show your appreciation for their aid which has enabled all of us to be the intelligent human beings that we are.

Mr. Crutcher - Brass Knuckles, for hard-headed students.

Br. James - A new Gillette,

Mr. O'Brien - A psychiatrists' couch, to better analyze us.

Br. Guy - A French - English Dictionary.

Br. Martin DeMartini and Br. Phillip - Lift shoes, for a change in perspective.

Mr. Witry - A beginners hair-clipper set and a seven foot sophomore.

Mrs. Cox - A new wig.

Mr. Sperbeck - A 6-9 250 lbs. Sophomore.

Mr. Kleinfall - A copy of "Wit and Wisdom of the Ages."

Mr. Hauser - A 454.

Mr. Hughes - Two front teeth.

Mr. Hoey - A copy of "Pearls of Wisdom for History Majors."

Then, filling the stockings,
He shook his sad face,
"This job is a killer!
I can't take the pace!
This cluttered old world
Is beyond my control
There even are millions
Up at the North Pole!"

"Now I'm late!" he exclaimed,
"And I really must hurry!
By now I should be
Over Joplin, Missouri!"
But he managed to sigh
As he drove out of sight,
"Happy Christmas to all,
And to all a goodnight!"

P.O.W. WIFE (con't from page 1)

At both lunch periods she was there to answer any more questions, and to give out some stickers and pamphlets.

If you would like to get involved with the POW effort, contact Terry Foley in Homeroom 210. He says he has more stickers if you want any.

-Mike McIntosh.

Christmas Day 1999

Reprinted from Mad Magazine

'Twas the night before Christmas,
And all through the gloom
Not a creature was stirring;
There just wasn't room;
The stockings were hanging
In numbers so great,
We feared that the walls
Would collapse from the weight!

The children like cattle
Were packed off to bed;
We took a quick count;
There were three hundred head;
Not to mention the grown-ups -
Those hundreds of dozens
Of uncles and in-laws
And twice - removed cousins!

When outside the house
There arose such a din!
I wanted to look
But the mob held me in;
With pushing and shoving
And cursing out loud,
In forty-five minutes
I squeezed through the crowd!

Outside on the lawn
I could see a fresh snow
Had covered the people
Asleep down below;
And up in the sky
What should strangely appear
But an overweight sleigh
Pulled by countless reindeer!

They pulled and they tugged
And they wheezed as they came,
And the red-suited driver
Called each one by name:
"Now, Dasher! Now, Dancer!
Now, Prancer and Vixen!
On, Comet! On, Cupid!
On Donner and Blitzen!"

"Now, Melvin! Now, Marvin!
Now, Albert and Jasper!
On, Sidney! On, Seymour!
On Harvey and Casper!
Now, Clifford! Now, Max!" -
But he stopped, far from through;
Our welcoming housetop
Was coming in view!

Merry Christmas

JOHN MC PIKE

Christmas in Modern Times

It's Christmas time again. Time to get out the artificial tree that you bought last year; the one that you spent four hours putting together because you didn't have directions.

So, you get up in the attic and sort through the junk that's been up there four years and you finally find the box that it came in. Then, you haul it out of the attic and into the living room. Now you are faced with the prospect of spending another Sunday afternoon putting it together.

But you figure that it'll be easier this year because you know a little bit about how the thing goes together. So, after hours of tiring labor, the tree is finally together. You stand back to admire it. A little lopsided, yes, but you don't want to have to spend another hour fixing it. Then you go back into the attic and bring out the Christmas decorations. Just as the last of the decorations come out of the attic and are put on the floor in the hall, there comes a crash from the living room. Racing out to find out what it was, you step on a box containing some of your favorite ornaments. There is a crunch, but you don't bother with that. You run out to the living room and, find your tree sprawled all over the floor.

So, you disgustedly put the tree back together, all the while saying to yourself that you really had to do it anyway. Then, it's back to the ornaments. They are brought into the room and you open up a box and take each one out individually and carefully place them on a tree branch. After you hang about four or five up, you discover that you've run out of hooks.

You find yourself a box of hooks and dump them out on a convenient place on the coffee table, and back you go to the routine of ornament-hanging. Of course, you get clumsy and knock half of the hooks on the rug where, if you pull them out, they rip up the carpet.

Now that you've accomplished that, you take time out for coffee and a donut or so, all the while listening to Christmas carols on your brand new quadrophonic four - speaker sound system stereo with cassette, a tape deck, and AM - FM radio (which cost a nominal \$625). Then it's back up into the attic for the outside lights.

You haul them out and test them to see if you need new light bulbs in them. On the first set you find that you're out three light bulbs. Plug in the second set. Two more bulbs. Plug in the third. Four bulbs. And the fourth. Three bulbs - making a grand total of a dozen new bulbs that you have to go out and buy. So your wife goes

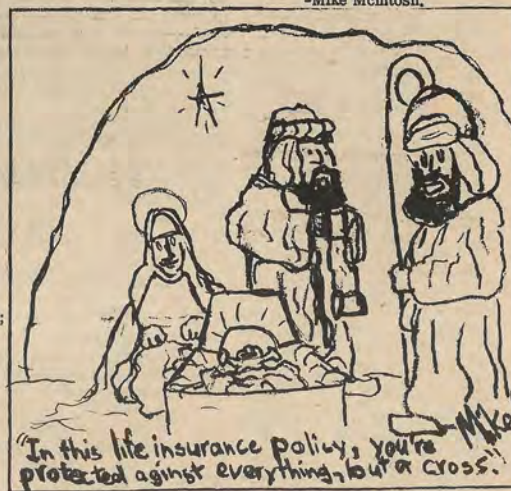
out and buys them, while you hang up the sets. With great difficulty and loss of another bulb, the first set gets hung up under the eaves in front of the garage.

Then it's back inside for the second set. In the process of hanging them up, out comes Junior and starts playing with some of the bulbs. Since you're too busy hanging up the bulbs, you don't pay Junior any attention. Suddenly, pop! pop! Junior has just broken two bulbs. Descending the ladder, you step on another bulb. Now, you're torquously frustrated with it all, and you take Junior back in the house and resume hanging up the bulbs.

Just as your wife drives up with the bulbs, you finish hanging up the fourth set. She gets out of the car, and you ask, "Got the extra light bulbs?"

"Yes, she says, "And I got you some more. I figured you'd need them."

So, you get back up on the ladder and put in the replacement bulbs in the empty sockets. After you're done with it all, you admire your day's work, and as you do, you wonder, is Christmas really worth all the trouble?





Jerry Karver controls the ball in a Tourney game against Sac. Converging is Gerald Yee #14. Identifiable CB players are Tim Farrell #44, Joe Carson #3, John Cartwright #52. Stationed between Farrell and Carson is Rod Zanze.

JV Hoopsters Nab 3 Straight Grab Third in Metro Clashes

Wednesday, December 13, marked the date for the beginning of the Metro League Basketball Tournament with Christian Brothers being pitted against Hiram Johnson.

The game started out very fast and exciting. The score was even for most of the game and the score at the end of the first quarter displays the closeness of the game, with C.B. at 9 points and Johnson at 10 points.

The second quarter started with the Falcon J.V.'s trailing by one point. It proved to be as fast moving as the first quarter, however, Johnson was able to gain a slightly larger lead of five points during the second quarter, but the mighty Falcons came back and the score at halftime was, Johnson - 20 and the mighty Falcons 19 points.

At the end of the half Randy Wilson was the high scorer with a total of six points.

The game was tied most of the way through the last half with the Falcons in the lead by two points and it was their outs with 14 seconds left in the game. The ball was thrown in, unfortunately to the Warriors and Johnson immediately capitalized on the mistake and scored the tying two points as the half was up; the score being 38 to 38.

The extra three minutes were added to the clock and in the allotted time C.B. made six more points, four by Mike Wetklow and two by Jim Mulligan, to Johnson's four points in overtime.

The game ended with the Falcons 44 points to the Warriors 42 points. The high scorer of the second half for D.B. was Mike Wetklow with 10 points.

Mike Wetklow and Randy Wilson were tied for most points of the game with each having 15 points total.

Jesuit Sinks CB Five, 74-54

Although C.B. has failed to earn a victory in this still young season they do show some promise for upcoming games. In C.B.'s opening game against a well-poised Jesuit team the Falcons ended up with a 74 to 54 setback.

A few bright spots for C.B. were soph Rod Zanze, who connected on eight field goals, half of them would have been worth three points, had he been playing in an A.B.A. game. Senior Jerry Karver seems to be picking up this year where he left off last year by getting 12 points against Jesuit.

Junior Joe Carson, after sitting out last season, scored 8 points, but he should be something this season. John Cartwright traded in his cleats for basketball shoes, and with his size, agility and quickness, he should prove to be a tough rebounder this season.

Other players appearing in the Jesuit game were Senior Tim Farrell, Juniors Evy King, Chris Gandy, Tom Mulligan, Mike Evans, Jeff Tisdell, "Free Agent" Ken Larry who won't be eligible until January, and senior Mike Zenoviff.

-By Jeff Caraska.

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Rio 59, CB 43

The Soph game against Rio Americano started out like any normal C.B. game with Christian Brothers in the lead as usual. However as the game progressed further into the first quarter it became evident to me that things were definitely going sour. Randy Wilson was knocked down and his left leg was injured. He had to be helped out of the gym.

After several turnovers, which Rio used to overcome and gain a lead on us, the score at halftime was C. B. 18 and Rio 23.

The third quarter started with the return of Wilson and the rest of the starting line-up which consisted of Dan Farrell, Mike Wetklow, Steve Hennessy, and Jim Morey who was the highest scorer of the first half with a total of six points.

The last half was a little better than the first half, but it still wasn't good enough. Mike Wetklow was the high scorer of the last half and of the whole game with a total of sixteen points.

The final score of the game was Rio 59, Christian Brothers 43.

Del Campo 65, CB 63

The Del Campo Cougars favored to run over C.B. got the scare of their lives on Dec. 7th, as they barely outscored the Falcons 65-63. During the opening round of the El Camino Basketball Tourney, Del Campo led 40-33 at halftime. The Falcons outscored the Cougars 30-25 in the second half with the shooting of Rod Zanze, 4 players scored in double figures with Zanze leading the way with 18 points. Jeff Tisdell, John Cartwright and Joe Carson scored 14, 13 and 12 points respectively.

By Jeff Caraska.

Falcons Go Down Fighting in Metropolitan Tourney

Booters Near #1 in Metro Soccer

CBS in its second year of soccer has established itself as a top contender for championship for the consecutive year. Retaining its championship will be tight because of the growing interest in newly formed league teams. Fighting for the lead are the Sacramento Dragons, the McClatchy Lions and the Christian Brothers Falcons.

CBS vs. ELK GROVE

The Falcons "soccered" it to the Elk Grove Herd 4-0. Jaime Sandoval kicked the first two goals and Javier Placencia scored the third to a 3-0 halftime lead. Sandoval fancy-footed himself into scoring position for the fourth goal midway through the second half.

CBS vs. BURBANK

The Titans fell victims to the fierce and fiendish Falcons 6-2. Jaime Sandoval maneuvered three goals into the opposition's net, two in the opening minutes. Jorge Placencia, Gustavo Martin and Juan Borrego each hoofed a goal for Brothers. Burbank squeaked in two goals but were unable to catch up to the fleet-footed Falcons. With this win CB is still tailgating the first place Sac Dragons.

CBS vs. EL DORADO

The agile Brothers once more hustled their way to another triumph. Gus Martin drove the first goal early in the first half. Swift-kicking Jaime Sandoval then followed with another tally for a 2-0 halftime lead. Returning from the ten minute break, Superstar Sandoval notched the final score to a 3-0 victory. Leading the fearsome eleven on defense were Pedro Leon, Vince Dutra, and goalies Ed Chico and Jeff Bell.

After five games, CBS boosted its record to 4-1. The Falcons who have been breathing down the Dragon's necks, primed up with this game for the "showdown."

CBS vs. SAC

The big game between CBS and Sac High proved to be an electrifying thriller. The Dragons scored the first goal of the game in the first few minutes. Many spectators unmistakably assumed that the Dragons would trounce the Brothers, but the scrappy Falcons proved them wrong. In the second half the explosive eleven came to life when granted a penalty kick, in which sure-footed Sandoval blazed CB's only goal. After that the game was just played with pure stamina and skill as the defensive teams held the offenses scoreless. Brothers kept the ball for most of the second half, but could not break Sac's outstanding defense. So the big showdown ended in a 1-1 stand-off.

Both teams marched off the field proud but disappointed of the tied score. The postponement of a declared winner left the players and spectators anxious for the next crucial encounter.

The Christian Brothers line-up was: Jeff Bell, Pedro Leon, Jorge and Javier Placencia, Gustavo Martin, Vince Dutra, Fernando Jimenez, Mike Gutierrez, Jose Gonzalez, Steve Meekhof and lead scorer Jaime Sandoval, who has kicked nine goals in the last four games.

By Mario Montes.

The 1972 edition of CB's basketball team have been playing good basketball lately. But their opponents have been playing 2 points better. In last week's Metro Tourney, the Falcons opened up their quest for the championship against the Hiram Johnson Warriors and fell to a disappointing 57-55 loss.

Led by the shooting of Dave Deragisich, the Warriors opened up a 35-28 halftime lead. But in the second half, a tough Falcon defense held Johnson to 22 points.

With 4 seconds left in the game, a scene reminiscent of a Metro Tourney battle with Johnson 2 years ago took place. Rod Zanze took a John Cartwright to Joe Carson pass at half court and shot at the buzzer. The basket was good, (that's right, good) but the officials claimed he (Zanze) didn't shoot in time so the Falcons were stuck with a heart-stopping 57-55 loss.

Dave Deragisich was high man for the Warriors with 26 points, while Jerry Karver was top man for CB with 18.

CB's second contest in the tourney came the day after the Warrior tilt against the Sac High Dragons. Sac held on to a 4 point lead at halftime (27-23) CB came back in the second half and outscored the Dragons by 2 points (30-28) but that was just not enough as the Falcons again fell a basket and a charity shot away from victory.

Sac was led by Howard Redmond and Gerald Yee who tanked 15 and 14 points respectively. CB was led by Jeff Tisdell, getting 11 points and Rod Zanze with 10. by Jeff Caraska.

Gridders Earn

Honors at Banquet

Sunday, December 10, the Football Banquet was held. As usual, it was a great success, highlighted by an excellent talk by the head coach of the University of Santa Clara.

Before dinner everyone had time to talk and get acquainted. After the delicious steak and potato dinner, coach Pat Malley from Santa Clara gave an inspiring but witty speech, emphasizing the importance of striving to be a winner in life as well as on the field.

After Mr. Malley completed his talk, Mr. Sperbeck was introduced by the Master of Ceremonies. He made a small speech about the team saying how they must learn how to win and lose, then introduced everyone on the team, including the managers and trainers, saying a few words about each of them.

Br. Martin also spoke of the pride and prestige of Christian Brothers team and school.

Bill Whitehall requested to speak and wittily talked about the great experience of playing Christian Brothers football.

The awards were decided by the coaches with the help of an election by the players. The awards were as follows: Most Inspirational: Bill Boughton, Best Defensive: Kelly O'Neil, Most Valuable: John Cartwright.

It looks like another Whitehall is coming up, this one a freshman. At the end of the banquet, he requested to sing a little Christmas song. It was a "Partridge in a Pear Tree" tune, but the title was "A Running Back with a Bum Knee". He ingeniously invented many clever verses.