

Cat Tracks

Marching Band

The Bearcat Marching Band is on the go again. Having played for our opening game with Florence, they will travel to the Carolina-VPI game, November 16, and the Shrine Bowl in Charlotte, where they have received standing ovations for the past two years. They will also play for at least three more football games. The estimated cost of each of these trips ranges from \$699 to \$1000.

Most of the 134 members are young and inexperienced, but are catching on fast. Mr. Nicosia, band director, commented that, "This is the whole school's band; everyone, in a sense, is a member. The band itself is only a representative of the school spirit, and it is supported accordingly. After all, without school support what would we be?"

D. E. Club

Derrill Painter, RHHS's third state president of the Distributive Education Clubs of America, attended the Leadership Development Conference in Washington, D. C., last August.

The purpose of the convention, besides the election of officers, was to develop an understanding and appreciation for leadership. The participants also hoped to improve communications within DECA and devise an effective program of action for 1968-69.

The four-day conference, which included guest speakers from several presidents of leading business firms and heads of the various departments, ended with the DECA Ambassador Banquet.

On September 12, the 33 members of the local chapter re-elected Derrill as their president. Other officers are vice-president, Dean Robinson; secretary, Luci Ludlam; treasurer, Debbie Snipes; reporter, Harold Reeves; and Board of Governors, Fred Hembree.

PSAT

Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test, the standardized test to prepare students for College Board (SAT), will be held on Tuesday morning October 22nd in the library in big study hall.

Juniors and Seniors wishing to compete for scholarships must pay a \$1.50 fee to either Mrs. McCleave or Miss Williamson by October 15. These students will be given a booklet explaining the test.

Enrollment

On August 27 South Carolina's second largest high school opened its doors to a student body of 1902, exceeding last year's total enrollment of 1863.

Rock Hill High, second in size only to Spartanburg High School, has 724 sophomores, 634 juniors, and a senior class of 544.

There are exactly 362 boys and 362 girls in the 10th grade, 305 boys and 329 girls in the 11th, and 281 boys and 263 girls in the 12th grade. This means that there are 6 more girls than boys!

J.V. Cheerleaders Chosen

Junior Varsity cheerleaders for 1968-69 were recently chosen by Mrs. Settlemyer, Mrs. Twiddy, and the Varsity Cheerleaders. They are Lu Buddin, Ann Clarkson, Susan Dowling, Carolyn Ennis, Barbara Givens, Mary Mills, Pam Welch and Laura York. Alternates are Donna Heckle and Helen Williams.

These girls, chosen from the Sophomore class, will cheer for the Sophomore class at all J.V. games. They will also lead the underclassman pep rallies.

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SENIORS ELECT RITTER; JUNIORS, ELLISON

The Senior, Junior, and Sophomore Classes are now in the process of electing their officers for 1968-69.

The Seniors have chosen Katie Ritter as Class President and Mike Lumpkin, Vice-President.

Mary Frances Ellison is the new Junior President. Jody Sims is secretary.

Wesley Hayes has been elected Sophomore President.

Other officers will be chosen by the first of next week.

National Merit Names Semifinalist

Rock Hill High is extremely proud to have nine outstanding scholars this year to qualify as National Merit Semifinalists.

They include Susan Adams, Trudie Blackwell, David Freeman, Susan Jones, Tommy Marks, Steve Parrish, Bill Ross, Peter Scheffler, and Rick Tutwiler.

Susan Adams, Editor-in-Chief of the 1969 Bearcat, is hoping to attend Winthrop or Furman.

Trudie Blackwell is a member of the French and Biology Clubs. She wants to major in sociology at Furman.

David Freeman, who is now living in New Mexico, was to have been the Bearcat business manager.

Susan Jones whose interests lie in language and graphic art hopes to attend William and Mary College.

Having scored the highest at RHHS in the math section of PSAT last year, Tommy Marks wants to study science and possibly go into research work at a southern engineering college, although he has not definitely decided which one.

Steve Parrish, a band member, will major in electrical engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N. Y.

Bill Ross, a Furman Scholar, was one of RHHS's five representatives at Boys State last June. He hopes to attend Wake Forest, majoring in either math or pre-law. Bill, who is a member of the Thespians, had the lead in the Jr. Class Play, the "Man Who Came to Dinner."

Pete Scheffler, also a Furman Scholar, will study oceanography at Davidson.

Rick Tutwiler has not yet decided on his major, but will attend either Wake Forest or the University of North Carolina. Rick is on the editorial staff of the **Garnet & Black**.

All students who come within three points of being Semifinalists will receive a letter of commendation. These letters, which will be sent to their chosen colleges, will greatly aid the students in being admitted.

In order to qualify as finalists, the students must take a second examination to substantiate their first qualifying test performance, submit recommendations by their schools, and fulfill routine requirements.

The 1969 Merit Scholars will be selected from the finalist group. Finalists are eligible for NMDC scholarships and many other scholarships sponsored by various organizations.

Twenty Teachers Join Staff

Sophomores are not the only new addition to Rock Hill High School this year. The student body is also welcoming twenty new teachers.

You'll be seeing six new faces in the English Department. Two of the teachers, Miss Hamlin and Mrs. Rikard, are graduates of Winthrop. Mrs. Montgomery attended Mary Baldwin College, and Mrs. Robinson attended Georgetown Baptist. Mrs. Hayes is a graduate of Queens, and Mr. Strohl graduated from Davidson.

In the math department students are learning under Mr. Martin of Limestone College, Miss Grant and Mrs. Brozina both from Winthrop.

Mrs. Mewshaw and Mrs. Wingate, both also from Winthrop, are new in our History Department. Mrs. Wingate also assists with the National Honor Society.

Mr. Guerry and Mr. Christopher went to the University of South Carolina. Both are coaches and teach science and Driver's Ed respectively.

In the Business Department is Miss Roach, a graduate of Winthrop teaching Business, and Mr. Holland from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill teaching economics and General Business.

Mrs. Yonce is our new art teacher from Winthrop. Mrs. Rawls, who was a student at both U.N.C. at Greensboro and Winthrop, teaches music; and Mrs. Wagon of Winthrop is teaching psychology.

Miss Long teaches French and also comes to us from Winthrop. Mrs. Sosa is a stranger to this country, having taught for twenty-five years in El Salvador. She is, of course, teaching Spanish. The whole school welcomes these new teachers and hopes they have a very rewarding year at RHHS.



An Exuberant Kathy Green cheers as Bearcats trample Dentsville

Cheerleaders Win Second Super Spirit Stick

The 1968-69 varsity cheerleaders have once again proved the meaning of our school's great and glorious Bearcat Spirit! From July 27 through August 3, these ten girls represented RHHS at the National Cheerleader Camp held annually at St. Andrews College in La Grange, S. C.

Competing with about twenty other squads from all over the state, our cheerleaders won, for the second consecutive year, the highest honor given, the Super Spirit Stick. This is a red, white, and blue Spirit Stick which is given at the end of each day to the squad who places highest in the daily competition. At the end of the week, the Super Spirit Stick is awarded to the group showing the most overall spirit.

In addition to winning the coveted Super Spirit Stick, they also won the Spirit Stick three nights, and the second place ribbon for the entire week.

RH Students Supported Cheerleaders

On the final night of competition, a large group of students

from Rock Hill came down to cheer the girls on to victory.

Karen Reid commented that seeing so many people come so far in the pouring rain to support them did as much to boost their spirits as it does for the players when every person in the stands is cheering for them.

Camp Unifies Team

In addition to many new cheers, which were mostly military style, the girls learned a number of chants and pom-pom routines.

They all agreed that one of the most important things they learned was crowd psychology. Head cheerleader Katie Ritter added that working together as they did, the cheerleaders all got to know each other better, and therefore are able to work better as a team.

These girls have worked hard this summer and will continue to do so throughout the coming year with many long hours of practice ahead of them. The cheerleaders and our great Bearcat teams deserve the complete pride and respect of the entire school.

Mr. Butler Joins Mr. Burleson

There is a new monitor in the halls of RHHS this year. He is our new assistant principal, Mr. John M. Butler. Coming from Dorman High of Spartanburg, he is in his twelfth year in educational work.

A graduate of Georgetown High School, Mr. Butler attended Erskine College, where he received his A.B. in instrumental music and social studies. He then received his M.A. in school administration from Western Carolina.

His wife teaches fourth grade at Central Elementary School. They have two children, ages eight and three.

When asked if there were a noticeable difference in the school spirit of Dorman and RHHS, Mr. Butler said, "The students have a bigger interest in their school here at RHHS. The Dorman students' spirit is on the surface as though it were forced on them rather than because they want it that way. The Bearcat spirit is sincere and really from the heart."

His general opinion of RHHS may be summed up in his own words, "I have been amazed at the overall good behavior of the entire student body. I am impressed with the morale and spirit of the students; but more important, I am impressed by their friendliness and warmth. I truly feel that I have been accepted."

We are all looking forward to living up to Mr. Butler's high opinion of us and our school.

The Crow's Nest

Vietnam, Vietnam, Vietnam....

by John Crow

we must get rid of the war.

Already so much has been written, spoken, seen, and heard about the Vietnam War that people become repelled by the sound of the word.

For close to four years now the American people have been pounded every way with incessant comments, reports, and analysis of the eternal war:

Everyday there's something about the war in the news.

Everyday we hear the word Vietnam at least once.

Everyday we see the word written. Everyday we think about the war.

There is no escaping it, no avoiding it, and no ignoring it. It surrounds us and becomes part of our lives, as much as we detest it. In other words, before we all go mad, rot.

When the Democrats got us into the war, they showed a curious lack of understanding and knowledge of Asian affairs. First of all, they thought by pouring billions of dollars into the country, they could solve all of its problems. When the Viet Cong didn't vanish and internal stability didn't come about, they finally had to send troops. Then they made their second mistake—they began pulling punches. Immediately, the VC interpreted this as a weakness. So the VC dug in for a long war while we fiddled around trying to decide what to do. Now we are spending 30 billion dollars a year and 25,000 have possibly died in vain. Now is the time for decision:

We should either smash the Viet Cong to bits with our massive military power, or get out and let Asia rot.

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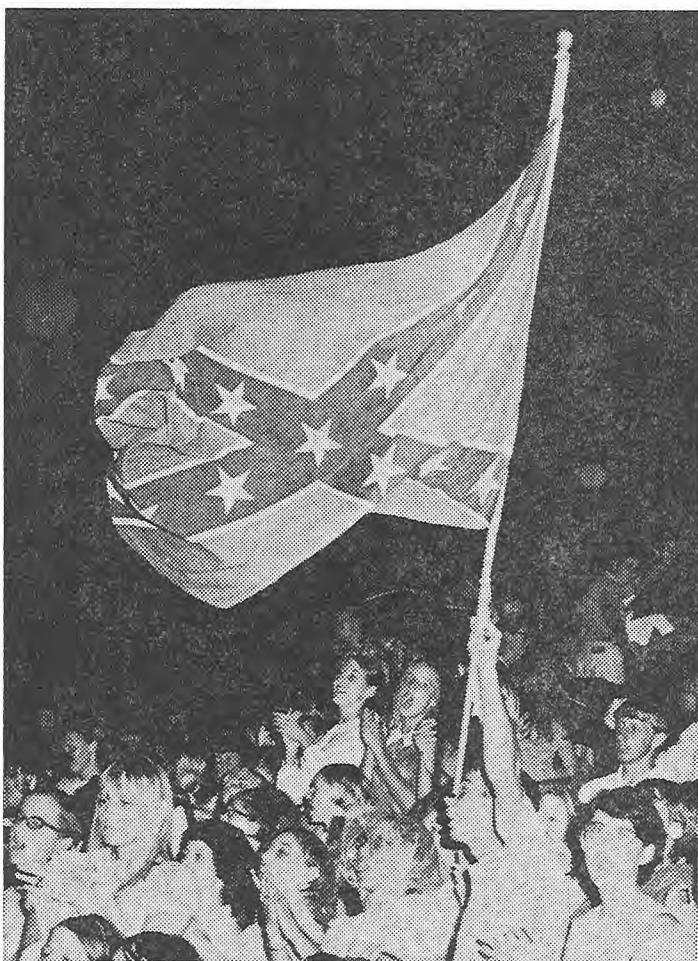
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LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



"SEEMS CROWDED UP HERE — WHAT SAY WE HOP IN THE BACK SEAT?"



Jimmy Baker symbolized last year's spirit. Who will replace him?

Movie Review

The Fox

by Carter Shelley

I went to see *The Fox* with the idea that I was not going to enjoy it; I wasn't disappointed. It is hardly the sort of movie you would take your little brother to see on a Saturday afternoon.

The setting is a farm in Canada in the dead of winter. The scenery is beautiful and the snow had the effect of making me feel pleasantly cool.

On the farm live two women, Jill (Sandy Dennis) and Ellen (Anne Heywood), who are trying to make a go at a poultry farm, and would be succeeding if it weren't for the fox that keeps stealing their chickens. Ellen is the manish one doing the outside chores such as chopping wood while Jill is inside doing such womanly duties as the cooking and sewing. Even though Jill seems to be the feminine one, she is the one with lesbian tendencies and is beginning to pull Ellen in that direction. Jill wants Ellen to kill the fox; but when Ellen has a chance, she finds that she can't. The fox is the symbol of Ellen's desire for male company.

Enters Paul (Keir Dullea) whose dead grandfather was the original owner of the farm. Since Jill enjoys

being dependent on others, she invites Paul to stay and help out around the farm.

A mutual attraction forms between Paul and Ellen, making life very difficult for Ellen, who is being pulled two ways. What she wants and what she feels is her duty. Paul kills the fox in hope that it will help her make her decision to go with him.

Her problem is solved, however, when Jill is killed by a falling tree which Paul cuts down. This makes the viewer just wonder whether Paul perhaps did it purposely.

Sandy Dennis' portrayal of Jill as the clinging vine type, who tries everything in her power to come between Ellen and Paul, is very moving and very sad.

The director, Mark Pydesl, did an excellent job directing his first film. It takes real talent to take what could be the makings for a dirty movie and instead show the tragedy of homosexuality.

I was quite surprised to find that the book, from which the movie was made, was written by the English author D. H. Lawrence, who died in 1930. This changed my mind about the book since it probably was written in the last decade. Since the author was known for writing books such as this, I guess he didn't feel it was a waste of time.

Our Spirit Speaks

by Cheerleader Karen Reid

We cheerleaders of Rock Hill High School went to cheerleading camp again this summer at St. Andrews in Laurinburg, North Carolina. We went to improve our cheering ability and learn to work as a team. It was a long and sweltering week (not forgetting the feelings of homesickness that kept hitting us every now and then), but just knowing that we were representing Rock Hill High pulled us through. It really wasn't as bad as I've made it sound. It was lots of fun, for we met many new friends and most of all—brought home the "Sooper Dooper Spirit" stick and 2nd and 3rd place ribbons in competition. We are trying to live up to the wonderful honor that ya'll gave us as Bearcat cheerleaders.

There are a few questions I'd like to ask each and every student of this high school. Will we support our fellow Cats by yelling our heads off at the pep rallies and at the games, thus showing them we're behind them all the way? Is it too hard for us to say our Alma Mater with sincerity and loyalty in our hearts and voices? Most of all—Can we, or rather, will we maintain this year as it has been done in the past??

Teaching Method Unfair

At Rock Hill High we have some teachers who insist on forcing their brand of not-teaching on students. Now I'm not talking about *most* of our teachers. Luckily, this only applies to a few of them. More specifically, I'm talking about the few of our teachers who insist upon covering a specific amount of material a day, whether the class covers it or not, and demanding that the student be tested for all material given, whether it is covered in class or not. They also insist on the students being responsible for all material supposedly covered in previous courses, whether actually covered or not.

I'm not doing this just to be picky, but I feel if possibly some of our teachers could see themselves, they would change their teaching method before the whole year has past.

Name withheld at request

Parking Lot Hogs

by Jill Jollie

How many times have you been blocked in the school parking lot by some selfish person in a hurry? This one person can cause a mass of confusion which could have easily been prevented. Not only mass confusion but an occasional crumpled fender is a result of everybody's eagerness to get out of the parking lot.

The privilege we have of bringing our cars to school is being abused. Next time you park your car or the next time you're in a hurry to get out of the parking lot, think about the other guy as well as yourself. This presents a problem, but it doesn't have to be a problem, does it? This responsibility is left up to the students to solve.

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Confusion, Convention Style

by Beth Glasscock

So now we've seen them, whatever they were. They were formally called the Republican and the Democratic Conventions. Pandemonium Unlimited would have been a better name for either of them. At both conventions, there were a few who managed to conduct themselves as orderly, well-mannered adults having some degree of intelligence. But those who participated in the demonstrations for the various candidates behaved like immature children who didn't know how to sit down and be quiet when asked to do so. If we were to carry on in such a disorderly fashion in our pep rallies, we'd not be able to have any pep rallies!

There is really no need in nominating favorite sons. It is a waste of time of the delegates and television viewers. There should be some other way to honor our politicians.

The Republican secretary should try out for the Braves after the way she swung that gavel. The Democratic secretary was a lovely, gracious lady with a wit for all occasions.

The Chicago riots near Humphrey's hotel were a disgrace to all America. In a CBS interview, Mayor Daley said that the majority of the demonstrators weren't even from Chicago and that they had a word tattooed on their foreheads that was so profane it couldn't be repeated. These troublemakers abused their rights and the rights of others and deserved to be arrested for disturbing the peace, if nothing else. But, of course, Humphrey will have it investigated and the rioters will go free to cause more trouble. Just like an old hunting dog who doesn't want to lose his quarry, he's barking up every tree.

Democratic security seemed unnecessarily tight, but anyone who puts a credit card in the identification machine to show off or any one who interferes with security in any way should be removed from the hall. The Republicans were the exact opposite. Anyone with Rockefeller connections could get a ticket to the convention.

At least we've got four years to recover before the next onslaught.

Tri-Hi-Y Attempts Assembly

This past summer, the members of the Tri-Hi-Y from Rock Hill attended the Blue Ridge Assembly in Black Mountain, North Carolina. Thirteen girls from RHHS and their chaperone attended the camp, which lasted from July 28 through August 3. Representatives from Rock Hill were Polly Gettys, Mary Frances Ellison, Sandy McKee, Donna Anthony, Betsy Hayes, Susan Spitz, Lily Chapman, Debbie Ligon, Nancy Murphy, Laura Boone, Barbara Shuler, Martha Ward, and Jeannie Jamison.

Activities for the week included an assembly each morning at 9:00. Reverend Ragin, a Baptist minister, addressed the group, which consisted of members of various Tri-Hi-Y groups from N. C. as well as from S. C. After a brief talk, the

group split into individual groups for discussion. Also on the agenda were free periods, leadership development groups led by college students, and night recreation.

An especially interesting activity was trips to various tourist attractions near Black Mountain. Some of the campers also went to Biltmore Estates and to the outdoor drama, "Unto These Hills."

Business of the week was mainly the election of new regional officers.

The activities of the week drew to a close with a "Fire of Friendship," which left a lasting impression on all present.

The week proved to be one filled with excitement, fun and a great deal of inspiration.

Ours For The Having

by Jeannie Dixon

Within a few weeks, the Junior and Senior classes of RHHS will be put to a test to show how well-mannered and organized the students can be in unchaperoned assemblies. The test will be given in the auditorium during one of our assembly programs. If we can seat ourselves and conduct ourselves properly through the whole assembly program, we may earn the right to the new privilege.

We may be allowed to use this system of self-discipline without the ruling hand of the faculty. And it will be ours just for the having.

Please students! Let's show the faculty that the student body of RHHS has the ability to accept a responsibility such as this.

Turner Manages Bearcat Annual

Miss Irene Kneece, annual advisor, recently announced the appointment of Johnny Turner as business manager of the 1969 Bearcat. Johnny, who was to have been academics editor, will fill the vacancy left by David Freeman.

Being a business student interested in art, Johnny will be combining talents with Editor-in-Chief Susan Adams, seven section editors, and twenty-two staff members to produce an annual which will, in the Bearcat tradition, present a picture of Rock Hill High which the students may look back on for years to come with great pride.

The section editors are Debbie Boulware, classes; Gail Clarkson, academics; Nancy Dixon, index; Carol Harsh, honors; Betsy Hayes, organizations; Jeannie Jamison, statistics; and Preston McDaniel, sports.

Winds of Change

by Rick Tutwiler

Students and young people are the greatest animated force in the world today. The excitement of youth is world-wide — from the streets of Chicago and Wenceslas Square in Prague, to the countryside of China and the jungles of Southeast Asia. As young people come of age, they discover life and all its hopes and tragedies: suffering, poverty, racism, and war, among others. At college age the intelligent, thinking young people are ready to take up the crusade to better the world, and all they need to do is be led. The leaders are here.

We are witnessing the great upheaval now. The winds of change are surely blowing. Some examples of the world youth movement are the blood in Chicago, the split of the once solid Democratic party, the liberalization of Czechoslovakia, the poverty workers, the civil rights movement, and the Red Guard of China.

However, we are also witnessing the suppression of these waves. Cries of police brutality only underline the force with which the older generation, the establishment, is trying to stop the youth. The Russian invasion of Czechoslovakia is much the same as the charging lines of police into youthful demonstrators on Michigan Avenue because both are the establishment's attempts to curtail youth. To the older generation a patriot is a freedom fighter. This is good, but the members of the older generation can't see that you can be a better freedom fighter in the streets of Chicago and the ghettos of Detroit than on the battlefield of war.

The biggest probable factor in all this is that the youth have their hopes and dreams while older people have hopes and dreams that have become discouraged with time. I certainly hope that no terrible rift will occur, but look at America and the world today. Let us pray that love will prevail.

A Tribute to LBJ

by Carter Shelley

With November and the election of a new president just around the corner, many people seem to have forgotten the man who has held this office for over five years. He has met opposition on every side, and when things have gone wrong, he has been used as a scapegoat by us all. We seem to forget that President Johnson is only human and therefore is not perfect. It doesn't seem fair that when things go wrong people can so easily put all of the blame on one man.

He's made mistakes, but what President can honestly say that he has not made mistakes?

This man has given many years of his life and his best efforts for this country. What reward has he gotten for his efforts? Criticism by magazines, television, and newspapers. Look at the kids with a warped sense of humor. They enjoy wearing "Turn on LBJ" pins. What are their accomplishments?

Johnson is now a tired old man who is stepping down from office in defeat because he was unable to achieve what he wants to do. Whose fault is it, his? Maybe it's "We the people of the United States" who have failed him.

In a country as great as this, a president needs the support of the citizens and should have it.

Maybe we should be saying, "Thank you President Johnson."

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The Rock Hill High School Bearcats opened their 1968 season against the Yellow Jackets of McClenaghan High School in Florence on September 6.

The 'Cats took the field with a young and inexperienced ball club. Florence took the opening kick off and moved almost at will against Rock Hill to score a touchdown on the first series to make the score 6-0.

The 'Cats, taking the return kick off, were forced to punt. McFadden's kick covered 53 yards, but Florence returned the ball to the Rock Hill 27 yard line. They again scored, and at halftime the score read 12-0.

The Bearcats played inspired football in the second half scoring on a pass from Mike Randall to Ronnie McFadden the first time they got the ball.

The rest of the game proved to be a defensive struggle with neither team able to score. Even though the final score read 12-6 in favor of Florence, the young 'Cats grew up a lot.

Rock Hill opened their home season on September 13 against the Dentsville Cougars.

An inspired group of Bearcats took the field while a capacity crowd at Municipal Stadium cheered them on.

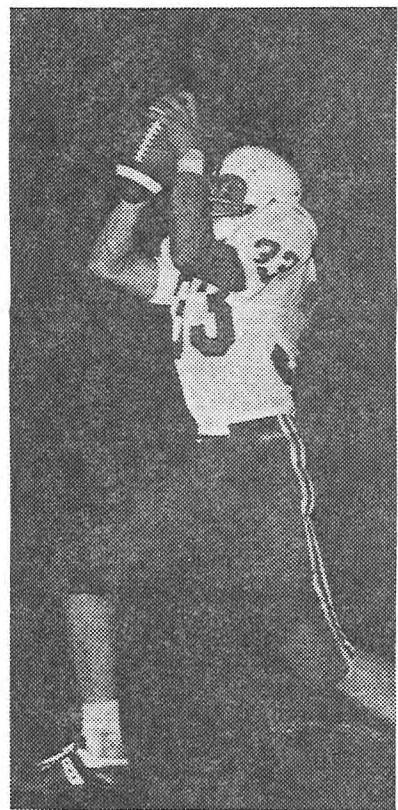
Neither team did much damage in the first quarter until Randall hit McFadden with a 30 yard pass on the last play of the quarter. The 'Cats moved down the field, and Danny Shaw's TD and Bimbo Armour's PAT made the halftime score 7-0.

The second half was dominated by Rock Hill, even though both teams scored twice. Bearcat scores were made by Mike Randall and Jimmy Heckle. 'Cat tailback Tommy Gainey proved to be the workhorse of the RHHS backfield as they brought home their first victory of the season, 21-13.

Rock Hill 14 - Gaffney 7

The Rock Hill High School Bearcats staged a fourth quarter rally to break open a Gaffney - dominated game on September 20. The Indians stifled the 'Cats with a tenacious defense for three quarters until Jimmy Heckle scooped up a Gaffney fumble and scampered 95 yards for a TD to tie the score.

Gaffney took the Rock Hill kickoff at their 45 with only five minutes to go. Once again Heckle came to the rescue as he intercepted a Gaffney pass to give the 'Cats possession once more with 4:44 remaining on the clock. Under the leadership of Mike Randall the squad was able to come up with big third down plays until it appeared they were stalled with a minute to go and 3rd and 12 at the 22. Randall then uncorked a beautiful 22 yard scoring strike to Ronnie McFadden to ice the hardfought 14-7 victory over arch-rival Gaffney.



Heckle Takes Randall Pass in Win Against Dentsville.

Bearkittens Face Tough Schedule

by Darold Ratliff

"They have been practicing very hard since the twelfth, and they show that they are willing to work." Those are the words of Coach Jenkins, about the J.V.'s. He also said that the Bearkittens look very promising and that they are developing a football attitude.

The J. V.'s will play a total of nine games this season. Six games will be here at home on a friendly battlefield, with only three on the enemy's home ground. Two of these out of town games will be with the varsity squads of Heath Springs and Buford.

Coach Jenkins said that the Heath Springs crowd will be rough because they have been the class C champions for the past couple of years. They will be fighting hard to keep that title, but we know the Bearkittens will be no pushover. October 3—Heath Springs There (Varsity)

October 10—Dorman Here
October 17—Gaffney There
October 24—Spartanburg Here
October 31—Winnsboro Here
November 7—Chester Here
November 14—Buford There (Varsity)

Sophomores Seek Ticktin

The RHHS class of '71 will be carrying their troubles to a new counselor this year. Mrs. Mary Lee Ticktin, a graduate of Duke University, is replacing Miss Louise Goforth as grade chairman of the 10th grade. Having taught at Rock Hill High for eight years, she is presently working on her M.A. at Winthrop College.

Mrs. Ticktin is working with Mrs. R. E. Blakely on the sometimes muddled schedules of our sophomores. Both counselors are also teaching two classes.

Mrs. Ticktin's hobbies range from race car driving to knitting. She loves children, and as she puts it, "I usually have a yard full of kids." Very much enthused with her students, she stated, "We just have a marvelous 10th grade this year."

G.A.A. Activities For The Year

by Cile Hale

The Girl's Athletic Association of Rock Hill High School plans many activities for the '68-'69 school year. Among these activities will be basketball, badminton, table tennis, and intra-mural sports. The G.A.A. girls will also operate the concession stands at the football and basketball games throughout the year.

At the present time, the volleyball tournament is in full swing. The tournament will decide the four

best teams at RHHS; then they will play the best teams from Dreher High School of Columbia for the tournament title.

The members of the G.A.A. may earn points for awards by participating in organized games, by working in the concession stands, and by refereeing the different activities. The awards are given at a Play Night. Last year, Susie Barrett earned the most points and received a sweater for her participation.

Belk

Collectors' Items...

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 David Parker—"No gripes, I love 'em all."
 Rickie Ferrell—"When they wear hair curlers."
 Chucky Gilliard—"You can't trust them."
 Barry Greene—"Get a boyfriend just to brag."
 Moe Bell—"When they show off in public places."
 Lex Fewell—"They are too high tempered."
 Rollie Sumwalt—"When a girl won't tell you where she wants to go on a date."
 Ronnie McFadden—"They wear too much make-up."
 Danny Shaw—"When she says she's going to do one thing and does another and then makes up excuses."

Bearcat Girl Defined

There are many words that seem to be undefinable, and "girl" is one of them. Even though there are many kinds of girls, one thing is for sure — a Bearcat girl is special.

A Bearcat girl is bewildering. She never wants anything to eat in the movies—until you get something—then she eats it all. She always cries at the movies. Paper cups, programs, straw wrappers, and ticket stubs are a few of her valuable souvenirs. She has an unlimited capacity for lemon-cherry Sun-drops. She appreciates violets as well as velvets.

A Bearcat girl is always talking. She spends hours on the phone everyday. There is no such thing as two girls having nothing to talk about.

A Bearcat girl is pink lipstick and nail polish. She is soft, shiny hair, a bouquet of red roses, and a pink chiffon formal. She's holding hands at the show.

A Bearcat girl can make a boy feel important. She is dainty and feminine, and the boy is her protector. A Bearcat girl has kind words, a tender heart, and a warm smile.

Ryan Dease—"They're too conceited."
 Robin Stanley—"When I'm out with a girl, she always want to find another girl to go to the rest room with her."
 John Burwell—"Short hair and the ones who can't take criticism."
 Lloyd Case—"They don't ever show their true feelings to the person (male) it concerns—instead they tell others and confuse you."
 Punchy Mills—"I have no gripe, but if it wasn't for one I would not be here."
 Danny Hefner—"They're taller than me."
 Jimmie Jamieson—"They won't date me."

What Did You Do This Summer?

by Claudette Drennan and
 Betty Smith

Well, it looks like everybody at Rock Hill High School had a great summer. The territory covered by students ranged from Canada to Mexico. I guess the most popular place to visit during the summer was the beach — or should I say Ocean Drive. Lots of people didn't make it to the beach, so they had to settle for the good ole muddy, murky, and much loved Catawba River. Jane Blackmon, Debbie Buddin, Susie Clark, and a few other lucky people have river houses, so they could go to the river any time. Some folks are lucky enough to have beach houses, like Mike Lumpkin.

Would you believe that most high school students actually had summer jobs. Cathy Haire spent her summer as a counselor at Camp Kanuga. Also Henry Gill and Nancy Mitchell were counselors at Camp Thunderbird and Camp Cherokee, respectively. Many girls worked at department stores such as Johnnie Williford, Gail Warlick, and Sally

What Bugs me Most about Boys Is...

Jane Hand—"Not talking to you after you have dated them a couple of times."
 Myra Ganesella—"The way they talk behind your back."
 Betty Good—"They're unpredictable."
 Becky Norton—"The way they take advantage of girls."
 Nancy Murphy—"They try to act cool."
 Debbie West—"When boys take girls for granted and aren't polite."
 Lil Henson—"They change their minds too fast."
 Kathy Hollis—"When you're out with them, they're sometimes impolite."

Susan Okey—"The right boys don't date the right girls. Know what I mean?"
 Kay Sturgis—"When they turn on their 'Mr. Cool' Act."
 Patty Roddey—"Rudeness."
 Susan Faulkner—"Their big fat lies."
 Tanner Bourne—"If they're conceited."
 Jill Jolly—"They're immature."
 Jenny Williams—"All the good ones are gone to college."
 Gloria Costner—"If he says something that he likes about an old girlfriend and you can't stand her."
 Debbie Buddin—"They're too quiet, and they don't know what they want."
 Darla McFadden—"They're stuck up and the way they try to get girls."
 Kathy Greene—"They think they own a girl."
 Cindy Walters—"When they're late and come up with some excuse as their car wouldn't start."

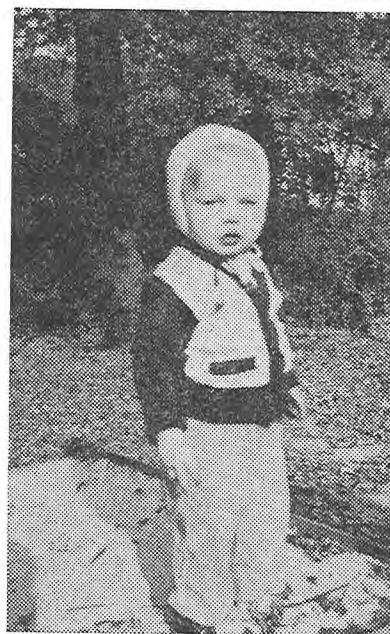
Simpson. Susan Adams and Sherry Snipes spent most of their summer working at the hospital.

The construction companies and the Celanese kept a lot of boys busy. Just ask Bill Burn, Horace Rabon, Jimmy Deese, and Eddie Presler. Also Bimbo Armour kept the little ones in line by working with the City Parks and Recreation.

Rock Hill High was represented by our students traveling all over the United States. Julie Crow went to Navigator's Camp in Colorado. Peter Schelfer took an archaeology course at Clarion College in Pennsylvania. Both Kathy Williford and Gary Reagan donned their ten-gallon hats and went to the "Hemisfair" in Texas.

Europe welcomed two RHHS students. Trudie Blackwell went to both Germany and France while Johnny Crow visited the Holy Land.

As you can see, Rock Hill High students really got around this summer. So if you can't keep an eye on everyone, let us do it for you!



Who Is The Baby Bearcat?

On January 15, 1951, a 6 lb. ½ oz. Bearcat was born. His fourth grade classmates may remember his bringing some bloody sharks to school to show everyone. Being a member of the Boy Scouts was very important to him as was sports. He began his athletic career as a Sylvia Circle fighting Spider. If you still cannot guess who this Senior boy is, look for his name in the next issue of the *Garnet & Black*.

To Whom It May Concern

I would like to know if you could help me locate a boy whom no one seems to know.

I don't know his name or where he lives, but I do know that he's a Senior at Rock Hill High School. He has long, sandy hair that sweeps down to his eyebrows, long lashes which flutter over deep blue eyes, soft, warm hands, a dark, deep, beach-tone tan, and the juiciest smile of any boy who ever lived. He also drives a car with bucket-seats and power steering.

He left something at my table at the Open Kitchen which is of great value. Anyone who thinks he fits the description please call me, and I will return the valued object. My number is 327-2260.

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Teacher	They know everything.	They know a lot.	They know something.	To err is human.
Excuse for Tardiness	I didn't leave home in time.	I missed the bus.	The bus was late.	The bell rang too early.
Homework	They say to do 45 minutes, so I'll do an hour.	They say to do 45 minutes, so I'll do 30.	I'll do it in study hall.	She won't call on me.
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Cats Meet Camden Tonight

The Rock Hill High School Bearcats entertain the Bulldogs of Camden tonight in the 'Cats second conference game of the season. Having lost their conference opener to Florence, the Bearcats really need a win.

Last year Rock Hill and Camden battled to a 0-0 tie. The Bulldogs will bring basically the same team to "Bearcat country" that opposed Rock Hill last year. Although young, the 'Cats possess an explosive offense, featuring Tommy Gainey, Mike Randall, Jimmy Heckle, and Danny Shaw.



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New Coaches Lead Bearcats

by Randy Cook

Rock Hill High School is very fortunate this year to have two new coaches. They are Coach Reggie Christopher and Coach Bob Jenkins.

Coach Christopher is the former head coach of basketball at Columbia High. While at Columbia, he led the Capitols to the state tournament the last three years. In addition to coaching the basketball team at RHHS, he is the J. V. backfield coach.

The varsity basketball players feel Coach Christopher will mold a winning team because he stresses conditioning; teams in shape win games.

David Parker says that we are very fortunate to have a coach as capable as Coach Christopher. He also said that the pressure is terrific, and the team is going to hustle extra hard to make this season as easy as possible for the young coach from Columbia.

Coach Jenkins is the new track coach at RHHS, and also is the Bearkitten line coach. He says that his purpose at RHHS is to build a track team second to none. RHHS is lucky to have a coach with such determination.

Both of our new coaches commented on the fine spirit at RHHS and on the winning attitude of all the athletes at Rock Hill.

Tri-Captains Lead Bearcats

by Buzzy Elder

Who meets the officials before a RHHS football game? Who makes the decisions on the field? The Rock Hill High team had their choice of players for this job, and they chose as captains for the 1968 season San Juan Horton, Mike Randall and Tommy Boger.

San Juan was chosen as overall captain of the 'Cats. Number "84" said he was "scared to death" when he first learned of his job. San Juan also inherited the job of keeping the rabbit named T.H.E. Cat. T.H.E. Cat and San Juan predict a state championship for the Bearcats.

Mike Randall, offensive captain and quarterback, is the most experienced man on the team. Mike, number "21", also feels the team can go a long way if they play up to their capabilities.

Tommy Boger, number "66," is our defensive captain. A mainstay at offensive guard, Tommy will also see action at linebacker this year. Tommy said that his election as captain was the greatest honor he had ever received.

The Road to Glory

The 1968 football season finds the Rock Hill Bearcats in the new AAAA conference. The AAAA conference is divided into four divisions with the winner of each division advancing to a playoff for the state championship.

Conference games on the 'Cat schedule include McClenaghan, Camden, Lancaster, Edmunds, and Hartsville. Other big games on the schedule are Greenville and Spartanburg.

The remainder of the 'Cat schedule is the following:

September 27—*Camden
October 4—*Edmunds at Sumter
October 11—at Spartanburg
October 18—x*Lancaster
October 25—at Chester
November 1—Parker
November 8—at Greenville
November 15—*Hartsville
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The Bearcat Den

by Irby Hipp



Roars are once again being heard from "Bearcat country." The sports season began at RHHS on August 12, when the "Fighting Bearcats" began football. Coach Tommy Oates was faced with a major rebuilding job, as many players were lost through graduation. The 'Cats were most inexperienced in the interior line where only two men, Tommy Boger and Ronnie Smarr, saw action last year. Early results tend to say that Coach Oates was successful in once again molding a strong team to represent RHHS.

While football is the major topic of conversation at RHHS, participants in other sports have been using their off season to sharpen skills for later in the year.

When basketball season starts, Coach Christopher will find a well-conditioned team. Squad members have been working out on their own time in their quest for a state championship. The 'Cats are expected to be strong, as they returned all but one member from a team that finished 16-4 in 1968. Leaders on the team are expected to be Rollie Sumwalt, David Parker, and 6' 10" center, David Angel.

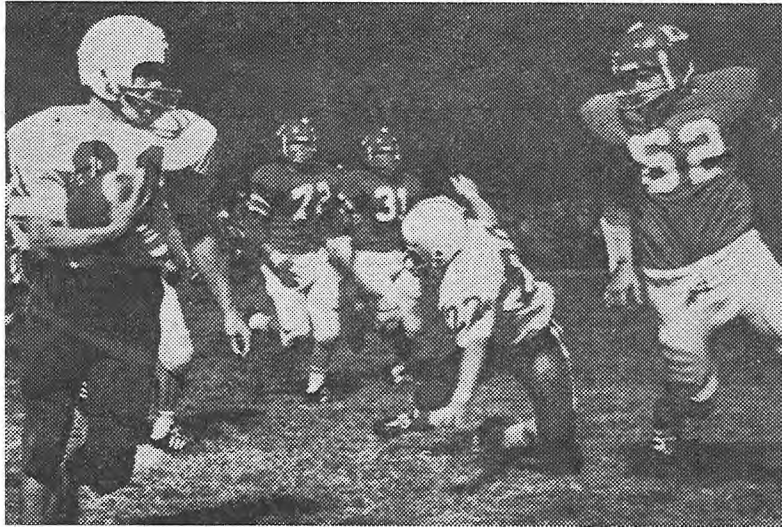
Keith and David Richardson, stalwarts on the tennis team, traveled to tennis tournaments all summer. Keith won the 16-and-under S. C. Closed Jaycee Junior

title at Clemson. He also was runner-up in the S. C. Open and the Swamp Fox Invitational. David also finished second in the 18-and-under division at the Swamp Fox Invitational.

Many Bearcat baseball players were members of the Rock Hill American Legion team, which showed a winning season. The team, however, was unable to advance in the play-offs won by Timmonsville, which finished third in the American Legion World Series.

Members of the RHHS golf team have also looked good in tournament competition this past season. T. J. Grubbs won the Rock Hill Jaycee Junior Tournament and the E. R. Jeter Junior Tournament. T. J. also scored a hole-in-one this summer. Most golfers never achieve this perfect shot. Congratulations, T. J. David Anderson, who finished second in the Jaycee tourney, also advanced to the State Tournament at Gaffney in July.

Prior to the Rock Hill-Dentsville game on September 13, ceremonies saluting our Bearcats and announcing renovations to Municipal Stadium were held. **The Garnet and Black** wishes to salute Mayor David Lyle, the Parks and Recreation Department, the School Board, and our Bearcats for a job well done.



Randall sweeps end for gain against Cougars

Stopwatch to Glory

Did the Rock Hill Bearcat-Dentsville Cougar football game seem short to you? Probably not, but there were only nine minutes of actual play! This may border on the fantastic to you, but it is true.

A stopwatch was used during the game to determine how many minutes the football was actually in motion. The watch was stopped during every huddle and was not started until the ball was snapped.

Since practice started on August 12, the Bearcats have put in over 100 hours of practice time, not to mention the many hours of skull practice.

High school football games in South Carolina consist of four twelve minute quarters. When players were asked if nine minutes of football was worth all the practice, they all answered an emphatic "yes."

Ronnie McFadden said that the honor of playing for RHHS made it worth all the effort.

Former Bearcat guard Charlie Knox said he always felt like he had played more than nine minutes!

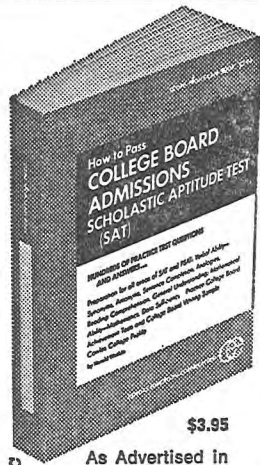
RHHS students also feel that it is worth the effort, and they salute the Mighty Bearcats!

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