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WVL Baseball

Season Opens

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Action from last week's student-faculty volleyball game, one of the highlights of Senior Week. The students avenged their loss to the faculty suffered

earlier in the year by beating the teachers two games to none.

Photo by Greenfield

Brazilian exchange student finds differences in cultures

When you meet Maria Ferreira, our eighteen year-old foreign exchange student from Rio de Janeiro, you will be immediately impressed by her vivacious and warm personality. During an informal interview, Maria talked with contagious enthusiasm about her life and experiences.

Miss Ferreira described in detail how she became a foreign exchange student. The first time she ever thought of the idea was in her English class. The first step was to take a grueling, six-hour examination, that included English comprehension and world history.

When she was finally told she had passed, the red tape began rolling, with a 20 page information sheet, written recommendations from the various people she knew and interviews with herself and her family. Finally, after two years she was on her way, and though it may sound frightening, Maria says, "Don't be scared by it. It's all worth it!"

Arrived Last Summer

Arriving in any foreign country is exciting and thought provoking, but for a student coming to stay for a year, it is a unique experience. Maria remembers when she arrived on August 9th of last year.

"I first spent three days in New York with other A.F.S. students. When it was time to leave for L. A., A.F.S. kept telling us not to expect anything. "Don't come with any dreams," they said.

"I began to think on the plane about my new family. What would they be like? Would they like me? A.F.S. said it could always find another family if things didn't work out. I was soon so scared and homesick that I started to cry. Our plane landed early (a miracle isn't it?), and my family (the DiGrandes) was the last to arrive. When I finally met them I was so nervous, all I did was talk."

Long Distance to Brazil

Her love of people is apparent in her conversation and ambitions. While studying to be a secretary in Brazil, her ambition is to be a psychologist. She wants to find out and understand more about people. There may be lots of work in her present psychology course, but she loves it.

Maria will take back many happy memories of the friends she has made and the things she has accomplished. What stands out most in her mind, was on her birthday when all of her friends chipped in so that she could call

her family in Brazil.

What was clearly emphasized in the interview were the differences between the American and Brazilian cultures. Maria had to adjust to our costumes because she brought along her own from Brazil. America to her is more modern in its thinking than Brazil. She cited that the dating in this country is very informal and the couples are more "familiar" with each other than in Brazil.

Jacques Cousteau's son lectures about Wuvulu

Jean-Michel Cousteau, renowned oceanographer, naturalist, botanist, and son of Jacques Cousteau, spoke to Taft science students on March 18th. In his lecture, Cousteau mainly spoke about the island of Wuvulu, a private tropical island off the north coast of New Guinea where he has been spending lengths of time during the past two and one-half years.

This island, which is owned by the government of New Guinea, has a circumference of only 12 miles and a population of only 540 people. Before the Germans arrived in World War II, Wuvulu had a population of over 5,000 people. But the Germans brought with them many of white man's diseases, unknown to the natives, thus reducing the population to 150. The island now has a capacity to hold more people than it now holds, which shows that the population explosion the rest of the world is suffering has not been felt on Wuvulu.

Cousteau ended his lecture by saying that he would like to take 50 to 60 students to Wuvulu so they could see the island, as well as work on it. It would be a very interesting learning experience, Cousteau said, and the only requirement is that you could not be over 20 years old. Any student interested should see his counselor for details. Cousteau himself will make the final decisions on who

Creation fair hints at new dimensions

By Tracy MacDonald
Tribune Liaison

Taft's annual Creation Fair will begin next Monday, under the direction of Mike Hutton, chairman of the Creation Fair committee. Among the events scheduled are acting, singing and other talent events performed by the dazzling young talent of Taft. Food is the latest addition to the Fair; Mike thought it would generate some interest in the people who aren't exactly into the talent portion of the Fair. The Car, Motorcycle and Boat Show will also take place with some of the most exciting "rods" ever witnessed in the history of this event.

All of the entrants were judged first for applicability during this past week, to see that they were all-around successes in their particular field of endeavor. The committee has spent much time working on different ideas and plans to make this a highly rewarding event for not only the committee but for the entire student body. Mike Hutton, chairman, stated that without his committee of crack personnel, he wouldn't have been able to bring about a few of the things the Creation Fair will have to offer.

The Creation Fair begins at lunch April 1 and will last until the very minute school is out on Friday. Many people have worked many hours on this particular creation, and it seems that as a production for the students of Taft, it is well worth supporting.

Junior Class Planters

The Junior class is in the pro-

cess of instituting a program to plant flowers around the campus this semester to give it a more ecological environment and not just the asphalt garden students know it as today. Darell Krasnoff, president of the Junior class announced this at the last meeting of the Junior Class Steering Committee.

Taft High Budget

Student Cabinet is currently finishing open discussions on the budget for Taft next year. Student Body Treasurer, Paul Cummings, announced that there have been a few changes in the budget from the original plans, but appeals come up next week, so there may not be that drastic a change.

"Spring" theme highlights Las Duenas brunch

"Spring" will be the theme of the faculty brunch planned for April 4. This brunch will be held in the teachers' cafeteria and is sponsored by Las Duenas. The same service group held a similar brunch last semester, and everyone enjoyed themselves.

All the girls bake cookies, cakes, and brownies and serve them to the faculty. Dues, which are collected at the beginning of the semester are used to buy coffee and other refreshments. Denise Larson, chairman of refreshments, is in charge of telling the girls what to bring. Anne Price is in charge of decorating the teachers' cafeteria and Liz Cornell makes sure that all the faculty members are comfortable and is in charge of the serving.

Las Duenas is the eleventh grade girls service club. The requirements for Las Duenas are previous service to the school and a teacher recommendation, no more than one "U" on the first report card, as well as no "D's" or "F's".

Dean Rich is the sponsor of the girls group.



Jean Michel Cousteau, son of world's famous oceanographer, spoke to Taft science students last week about living on a tropical island. Pictured from left to right are: Cousteau, Jeff Greenfield, and Eliot Gunterson.

Photo by Greenfield

The annual senior week activities were held from March 18-22. The daily events were held from Tuesday thru Friday, with the selling of caramel apples for \$.25 going on all week.

Brad I. Golstein, the Senior Class President, thought the entire week went over great. The student body was very perceptive towards the events. The gym and Taft Hall were swarmed with interested students. In fact, some students had to be turned away, and couldn't get into the activities. In Brad's opinion, the volleyball game and the talent show were the best activities as far as attendance was concerned. On Tuesday, the senior talent show was held. It included five acts, all performed by seniors. The acts included singing, piano playing, a scene from "The Owl and the Pussycat," a monologue, and a medley of "Yes" songs. On Thursday, an F.B.I. agent came and talked to Taft students. There was a question and answer period which covered private files being kept and the organization set-up and jurisdiction.

Friday night was Movie Night. The movies shown were "Bless the Beasts and the Children," and three shorties. Friday was also Ugly Man On Campus day. The winner got his name (the very 1st) on the Ugly Man On Campus plaque.

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Editorially Speaking

Oil firms behind crisis

People all over the world recently have been faced with the problem of the so called "energy crisis." In reality there is no "energy crisis" and if there is one, it was planned by a bunch of ruthless oil tycoons who would stop at nothing to make a million even if it meant swindling people out of billions of dollars.

Before the "energy crisis" was in the headlines the major oil companies tried to get the Alaskan Pipeline approved through Congress, but the Bill was voted down. Now that there is an "energy crisis" the Senate has approved the Alaskan Pipeline.

Remember that big oil slick off Santa Barbara a few years back? After the incident a law was passed forbidding the major oil companies from drilling off the coast of Santa Barbara. Now because of the "energy crisis" the oil companies were allowed to resume drilling in the area.

In Los Angeles in the 1920's and 30s', there used to be a big cable car system running through most parts of the city. A huge car manufacturer and a major oil company bought out all the cable cars and promised the city they would improve the system. They ripped up the track so the car manufacturer could sell more cars and the oil company could supply the gas. Finally a major oil company is buying "scenic land" in Washington, in Oregon, and in Northern California. The oil company is putting this land aside for future park space. This same oil company is buying out many recreational vehicle companies. Why is the oil company buying land and motor homes when there is an "energy crisis"? Maybe they know something we don't.

The facts are clear; the oil companies have a strangle hold on the American government and the American people. They are using this hold to get what they want whenever they want it. If something isn't done right now, the oil companies will have complete control of this country. Probably the best solution would be to make the oil industry a public utility; then the government could keep an eye on what's going on.



Good luck making it to the pumps...

Odd-Even gas system brings flaring tempers

**By Jack Kerrigan
Tribune Staff Writer**

Recently Governor Reagan put California on an odd/even plan for buying gas. Governor Reagan felt something was needed to ease the familiar lines of cars at gas stations.

The plan has been in effect for just a couple of weeks now, and people are already saying it isn't working. If it isn't working it's because of the people, not the plan.

I have found that the best way to get gas without the wait is to get up early in the morning. So on March 2, I went down and got in line at a Union 76 station on Ventura Blvd. I noticed that the car in front of me had an "odd" license

plate. I decided to do the lady in the car a favor and tell her she couldn't buy gas today. When I knocked on her window she just looked the other way; she paid no attention to me whatsoever.

I figured the gas station attendant would take care of the whole thing when he got there. Finally, after a 15 minute wait, out sprang the attendant with a bright smile which quickly vanished at the sight of the lady's "odd" license plate. He tried to reason with the lady when she suddenly leaped out of her car and locked all the doors. She yelled at the attendant, "If I don't get gas today, I'm not going to move."

By this time people in the line behind me were getting out of

their cars to see what was going on. The attendant, trying to keep things under control, called over two policemen who were watching the line at the Shell station across the street. When the policemen asked the lady for the keys she quickly dropped them down the front of her dress.

To make a long story short, the policemen had to call Headquarters to get a policewoman out there to get the keys. When the policewoman got there she was greeted with a standing ovation by the outraged customers. The policewoman got the keys, moved the car and things were back to normal. I was the third car in line and it took me an hour and a half to get gas.

If people aren't going to cooperate, the odd/even plan has no chance of succeeding. People have got to stay calm, stop filling up when the gas tank is 3/4 full, and buy gas only on the days they are allowed to. Then, and only then, has the odd-even plan a chance to succeed.

--Letters to the Editor--

Cheerleaders

Dear Taft Tribune:

I have a brother on the track team and I go to every track meet that is here at Taft. On March 15, I went to the track meet after school; I was ashamed and disappointed with our cheerleaders. They do cheer, but only for the stars; they don't cheer for all of Taft's Track Team, only for the runners that place 1st, 2nd and 3rd. I know of one of my brother's friends who tried his hardest running in the 1320; not one cheerleader cheered for him because he wasn't as fast as the "stars". I felt so sorry for him that tears came to my eyes. I screamed and cheered for him and at the same time was given smirks and dirty looks from one of the yell leaders. He really made me sick. I've never heard of getting in trouble for cheering for the whole team from Taft! I hope that this attitude of the cheer leaders and yell leaders will change and that they will do their job fully.

Signed,
Someone who cares

Sports page

Dear Editor,

I am a golf and tennis fan and I am sick and tired of girls' sports complaining about the lack of coverage. When girls sports starts to get coverage, who gets deleted? Golf and Tennis, of course. I think the girls should quit complaining, because they get more coverage than both tennis and golf together. I feel that we have a great sports page and that everything will work out. Anyway, girls' sports takes a definite back seat to boys' sports and the girls should recognize this.

Bob Simmons

Taft student hits printing

Dear Taft Tribune:

I've just read the March 15th edition of your newspaper and was appalled at the amateurism in the printing. For example: take the front page article entitled "Senior Week Begins Monday". The first paragraph consisted of 28 words and a total of six lines. Out of those six lines, there were four which were broken at the end incorrectly. This is a pretty poor batting average. Since when is "stacked" a two syllable word? Since when is the name "Golstein" broken into "Goldst-ein"? I'll not name the other errors You can look them up for yourself. In other instances I found where words like "overzealous" were

broken up into "o-verzealous". This breaking up of words is not the only significant problem that can be found in the Tribune. There are numerous cases of repeated lines, misspelling of words and just plain carelessness on the part of the copy readers and printers. The reporters work hard to produce informative and entertaining articles, too hard for them to be mutilated by the carelessness another displays in doing his job. The whole effort of putting out a newspaper should be a team effort, where each player puts out his ultimate effort in his particular position. And if one fails, the whole team suffers.

Coleen Hefley

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Wastepaper tossing, thrown around sport

by Adam Schnitzer

It has come to my attention that there is a general apathy in our country about the art of wastepaper tossing. This is a matter of great concern to me and the thousands of other members of the IWTA (International Wastepaper Tossers Association). No, we're not some kind of hack organization, we've been around for a long time, and we're sick and tired of being ignored. Football and baseball are getting all the press while wastepaper tossing, a true skill, receives no publicity whatsoever. We think it's a crime. It's no wonder the country is in such a mess, the media has its values turned around.

All over America, for generation after generation, wastepaper tossing has been a part of our lives. Thomas Jefferson himself, while writing the Declaration of Independence, relaxed by tossing crumpled

parchment into a nearby dispenser. Wastepaper tossing crossed the great plains, survived two World Wars, and is still with us today. In schoolrooms or offices, at all hours of the day or night, people are always tossing wastepaper. It is to the credit of the European nations that they are years ahead of us in this respect. In Norway, for instance there are several shrines containing some of the wastepaper of the great Norwegian scholars as well as the trophies and awards of Norway's great international wastepaper tossing teams.

Why then in America, a nation with the technology to put a man on the moon, do we not have enough cultural pride to make even one wastepaper shrine? I'll tell you why. It's because we Americans are ignorant of what's going on in the wastepaper world.

It was recently my pleasure to attend the Fourteenth Annual Wastepaper Tossing Championships in Toadstool, Idaho (which is coincidentally, the dill pickle capital of the world!). On this festive occasion, I was fortunate enough to meet one of the great wastepaper tossers of all time, Mr. Sam Pid. He took time out to give us a few handy tips about the art of wastepaper tossing.

"In my mind there's only one way to toss wastepaper; overhand! But there's much more to wastepaper tossing than just technique. For one thing, you have to be sure that your paper "wad" is tight enough. If it's not, it will have a lot of wind resistance and easily be blown around. When you toss (if you're right-handed) you should have your feet at about shoulder width apart with your left foot a little ahead of the right. The wastepaper should be held firmly, behind the right ear, with the elbow held high. Then the hand should be brought up in a sweeping motion from behind the head and the wad should be released just after the apex of the throw.

The **Pid System of Better Wastepaper Tossing** is a book I'm sure everyone will enjoy and benefit from. But there's more to wastepaper tossing than just technique and sport, or even glory. There's a certain inexplicable pride of heritage and country that goes with each toss of the paper. It is difficult to explain why, but wastepaper tossing is and always shall be an important part of the American culture. God bless America and her wastepaper.



Girls in Las Duenas, 11th grade service organization, are planning another faculty appreciation brunch on Thursday, April 4. Pictured from left to right are Denise Larson, Liz Cornell, Linda Yoshimura, and Ann Price. Photo by Greenfield

D'Artagnan and Co. make film fatale

by Michael Grant

Despite a fine cast, a richly-experienced director, and the beautiful 17th-century-like landscapes, the most recent remake of "The Three Musketeers" fall short of its predecessors' level of achievement.

The idea was good. Take a group of matchless actors such as Michael York, Oliver Reed, Richard Chamberlain, and Frank Finlay, couple them with director Richard Lester, whose previous credits include "A Hard Day's Night" and "Help", and put them in the lovely and romantic country side setting of Spain. The logical result would be an exciting action-adventure-movie worthy of the credit, "...based on the novel by Alexander Dumas."

Unfortunately, as is often the case, one major factor has fouled the entire effort. Scriptwriter George Macdonald Fraser has only lifted the dirt-basic idea of the existence of the Musketeers and attempted to present what he feels to be the most humorous of inci-

dents. His final script is a conglomeration of unrelated slapstick. Any mood of romance, scope, intrigue, or excitement is detracted from by the overtones of laughter which infiltrate nearly every sequence.

The Musketeers themselves are not even major characters. Appearing on the scene only long enough to swing their swords, they just quickly disappear, awaiting another sequence in which their dueling talents are required.

Of course, this is not a bad movie. It comes as a diversion in these times of crisis upon crisis and takes us to a wonderfully entertaining world. We may laugh as Michael York's D'Artagnan rolls in the mud puddles, as the buxom Miss Racquel Welch displays her lack of grace, as Oliver Reed, portraying Athos, disappears down a well.

But perhaps the movies title is not apt and should be changed from "The Three Musketeers" to "The Three Stooges."

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Cee mermaid boosts league title hopes

For years women have been striving, unsuccessfully, for the most part, to obtain the same opportunities as their male counterparts. In our society, the barrier dividing the sexes is clearly defined, and sometimes unpenetrable. This is true concerning athletics. Therefore it can be considered a "win" for the female side when a girl is admitted to the boys' swimming team; barring all usual discriminations. Leslie Buford, a 10th grade female, has this honor.

Her specialties are in the 50 meter backstroke and 200 meter freestyle. Leslie has been swimming on and off since she was three years old, and has a red cross certificate in life saving. She hopes to take

advantage of her exceptional talent by becoming a lifeguard during the summer.

Leslie's reasons for daring to infiltrate the exclusive boys swim team are simple and honest. "It was for convenience sake," she stated without reticence. "The girl's team meets at night, does not provide any transportation, and meets only two times a week for an hour each."

Thus, for Leslie Buford, the convenient advantages, such as "the boys being able to swim everyday in the pool at Meadow Oaks private school, and the transportation provided to and from the meets," have outweighed the discomfort of being the only female competing on an all male sports team.

Dolls' glitter blasts Hollywood

By Bruce McWilliams

Hollywood showed up at the Santa Monica Civic Auditorium last Saturday night for the infamous New York Dolls last concert stop on this tour. However, it was not where the show was being held. It was down on the floor that the entertainment was happening. The whole event was a costume party. There were the shining boots, platforms and a jungle of Bowie-like hair cuts, not to men-

tion the red lipstick and glitter. It was obvious that there were two groups of people there that night, the glitters and the people who came to look.

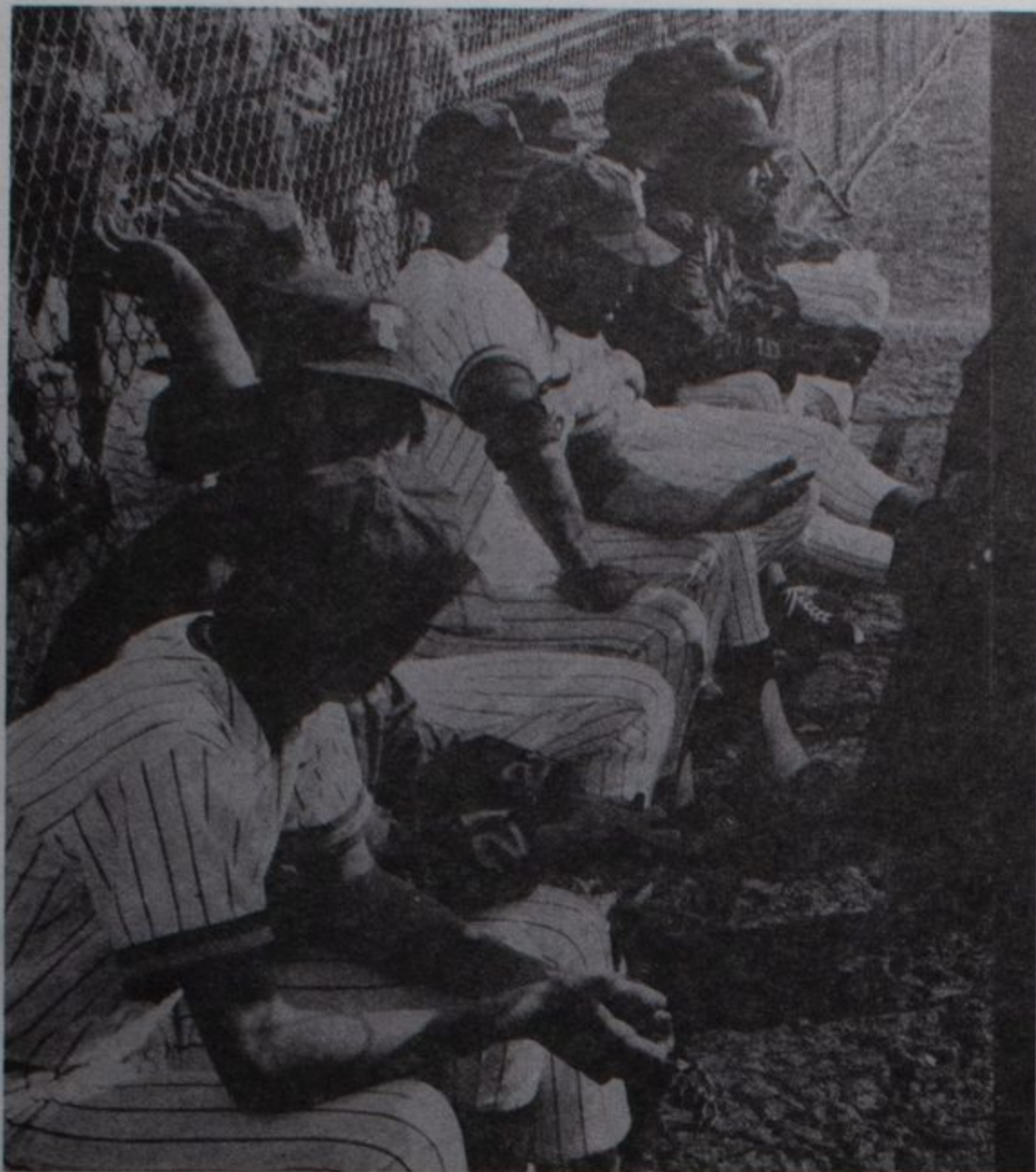
"Dolls" Make the Stage

The Dolls came on stage after a short film. The movie was a parody of New York, the 20's newsreels and of the Dolls themselves. This cinematic effort turned out to be the only creative event of the evening. The Dolls broke out onto the stage with the loudest, most undecernable music this rock fan has ever heard. It was louder than Humble Pie, louder than the Zepelin and louder than the loudest Grand Funk; it was unbelievable. It hurt my head, even in the back rows of the theatre. The only sound that I understood was when they started and stopped. The Dolls billed to be among the most outrageous bands around. But their dress was typical

and they made the same gyrations as any other rock band. The only exception was lead singer David Johassen who looked like a plastic doll refugee from a Clockwork Orange set. Among the songs a devoted fan told me they played were Trash Pills, Personality Crisis and Stranded in the Jungle. The only song the author could recognize, was a stepped-up, overamplified version of the 50's rocker Dizzy Miss Lizzy. The Dolls, who were supposed to be so youth oriented, could use a new sound man.

Silverhead started promptly at 8:30. They too were loud, but at least one could hear the chord changes. This English group's singer, Michael De barre revealed a small 200 pound tiger off to the side of the stage which he regularly danced around and teased. By now, the platformed crowd had pushed forward for De barre's walk through the audience (Little Richard trick). After several songs, the singer stripped off his shirt. Among their set, which lasted about one and a half hours, they played Rock and Roll and Hello New York.

During the intermission, Fun Productions, the promoters, had hired two clowns to throw glitter on the audience, and that along with the show proved to me that all that glitters is not gold.



The varsity team looks on the action of a recent game from the dugout.
Photo by Greenfield

Taft trounces El Camino tracksters sweep again

by Jack Kerrigan
Brian Donohue
Tribune Sports Writers

It was another big day for Taft as all three track teams posted wins against tough El Camino teams here last Friday.

Varsity

The Varsity team kept its hopes alive for capturing the West Valley

League Crown by defeating El Camino 74-44.

It was the usual fine performance by the "Big D" Brian Donohue in the 440, and in the anchor leg of the mile relay, and certainly it was no surprise to see the "Big D" win the 880 in 1:56.7. But, it was surprising to see Taft's two miler, Steve Bitterly, place third in the

880 with a fine time of 2:01 flat.

The Toreadors were able to hold off ECR with the help of Crow, Peterson, and Cipriano who swept the 120 high hurdles and 180 low hurdles, and Matlock, Brown, and Morden who took the first three spots in the mile.

According to Coach Lythgoe alot more runners will be competing in two or more events now, and he added "Bitterly will probably be doubling in the mile and two mile".

B's Coast

With a fine double in the hurdles and strength in the sprints and distances Taft pulled away from El Camino 61-34. The mood of the day was set early when Bruce Hornstein came through with another double victory in the 70 high hurdles and 120 lows. His times were 9.7 and 14.7 respectively. Taft continued its winning ways with sweeps in the 100 and 220. Leading into the tape were Gary Kishimoto in 100 and Bob Yallen in the 220. The obvious highlight of the Bee meet was turned in by Rodger Watkin in the 1320. He now has the league's best time with a 3.20.9 clocking.

C's Cruise

With sweeps in the 100 and the Pole Vault, Taft drowned the Conquistadores 52-28. There was no question of the outcome when Scott Stevenson won both the 100 and 180, while also playing a vital role in the 440 relay. Another plus for the day was the Pole Vault, where we find Rance Sanders and Cory Shmissrouter both clearing 10'6". With Sanders winning on fewer misses. Other fine performances were turned in by Bret Miller in the Shot Put, and Mike Rambaldi in the Long Jump.

Golfers win big

The Taft High Golf team jumped to the top of the West Valley League standings with league wins over Chatsworth and ever tough El Camino Real.

The golf season opened against the Chatsworth Chancellors at Knollwood Country Club. The win was sparked by Keith Whitehead's sparkling 74. Jan Levin and Gary Diamond backed up Whitehead as both shot fine 76's.

33-21 was the final score of the match.

Next on the schedule were the defending champion Conquistadores who Taft have never beaten. The score was close but in the end it was Taft, 28-26.

Levin and Whitehead were losers, but their team took the slack. Scoring wins were Taft's Diamond, Rawdin, Pahman, and Spear.

Chats nips JV's 4-2 ECR erased 2-1

By Steve Lane
Tribune Sports Writer

The Taft JV Baseball team played their poorest, and their best games ever as they split the two games played this week.

Against a terrible Chatsworth team, the JV nine must have felt sorry as they embarrassed themselves by giving the game away, 4-2. After the game, I was inclined to agree that giving is not always better than receiving.

Then against our arch rivals, El Camio Real, Taft played the kind of game for which this team is best suited, a good pitching tight-defensive game. Taft won 2-1. This was a feat that last years JV team never accomplished, as they went 0-3 on the year against ECR.

Varsity sunk by ECR B's and C's stay afloat

by Dave Rich
Russ Rybin
Tribune Sports Writers

Taft's Varsity swim team was handed their second loss in as many league meets as number three ranked El Camino crushed the Toreadors 57 to 25 at the Mea-

dow Oaks Cow Palace. The Bee and Cee teams gained revenge by canning the groggy Conquistadors by large margins.

Richey wins Backstroke

The Varsity team did their best to keep up with the powerful Conquistadors. Tim Richey took first place in the Backstroke with the time of 1:06.8, Richey also placed well with teammate Bill Osman in the 50 yrd. Free Style. Taft had been expected to be blown out of the pool but to the fans surprise gave E.C.R. a run for their money.

B's smash ECR

The Bee team jumped all over the gang from ECR pounding them 59 to 22. The B's have now won two in a row. The candidates for city champions never a let up taking first place in the 200 yrd. Free Style, 50 yrd. Free Style, and the maratohn. Last weeks star Jack Satch captured two first place times of 1:56.8 in the 200 yrd. Free Style and 5:10.9 in the Marathon. Mike Goodroe made the cake walk complete taking two second place sports.

C's roll on

The Cee team dumped ECR scoring a 54 to 19 victory. This was number two in a row for the youngsters. Dave Schoneberg did well in the 50 yrd. Free Style, and Jim Loucks also looked good.

Girls track competition slow out of the blocks

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Taft's girl's track team competed in its first meet last Friday at Kennedy High School. As a result of small numbers, 14 runners from Taft, 30 from Canoga and 35 from Kennedy, the team finished third overall only one point out of second.

Taft's first win came in the 80 yard hurdles as Linda Denning easily outdistanced the rest of the field. Finishing 4th was Tanya Ratkevitch who was seen running back and forth as she competed in the long jump, hurdles and the shot put in which she finished 3rd by a mere 2 inches. In the high jump Sally Garner cleared 4' 7" to win for Taft and Mindy Hough placed third in the long jump.

In the 100 yard dash Terry LaPoint started off a big day by picking up a second place for Taft with Linda Denning 4th. Distance runner Sandy Willis left the field of nine runners behind in the mile with a time of 6 minutes 29 seconds and Marilyn Weeks beat out a horde of Canoga runners finish third.

The 440 relay team of Lila Bywater, Terry LaPoint, Dorothea Noll and Linda Denning were on

their way to winning until a Kennedy runner stumbled into their lane when she dropped her baton and caused a loss of several seconds. Although Taft was missing several runners in the, 880 and 50 two tenth graders turned in great performances. Karen Kraemer third in the 880 and Angie Melton third in the 50.

Julie Newman made the first of her brilliant 440 runs, overpowering the rest of the field all the way for Taft's fourth win of the day. In the final two events Taft's runners displayed talent that left the other schools wondering what happened. Terry LaPoint won the 220 with a time of 29.7 seconds with second place over 4 seconds behind. The most exciting race of the day may have been the 880 yard medley relay. Linda Denning led off for Taft running 220 yards, foollowed by Dorothea Noll and Lila Bywater each running 110. As Julie Newman received the baton for the final leg of 440 yards Kennedy led by 20 or 30 yards. Into the final turn Julie took off, passing the tiring Kennedy runner to give Taft its sixth win.

With confidence high the girl's enter their second meet against Granada Hills today at 2:30 p.m. on Goetten Field.

Chatsworth slugs Taft 7-5, Squeeze play nips ECR 4-2

If they gave weeks out of the year names, they could call last week "the week of the rally" for the Taft High varsity baseball team. Once the rally was not enough as they succumbed to Chatsworth 7-5, but on the other occasion it proved enough to clip the El Camino

Conquistadors, 4-2.

The Chatsworth team scored 6 runs in their first two at bat and never looked back in route to their 7-5 win. The Chancellors were led by Ted Letakus who went 3 for 4 with 3 RBI's. Among his hits was a 2 run homer to center off

losing Taft pitcher Ron Helwig.

Helwig pitched ineffectively in his 1 and 2/3's innings of work. He gave up 5 hits that led to 6 runs before Coach Ray O'Conner had seen enough. Charlie Young came in the clean up the mess. Young allowed 3 hits in 4 and 1/3 innings while giving up a lone run in the fifth.

Taft clumped their offense into 2 innings, the third and fourth. Rick Howerton's 2 run single, and Kelly Paris' 3 run homer in the fourth proved to be Taft's only punch.

A dramatic come from behind rally against ECR saved Taft from an embarrassing week. Sheer cunning on the part of O'Conner led the team to a 3 run seventh inning to win.

Netters look impressive Unbeaten in preseason

Taft's tennis team started off impressively as they defeated a tough Birmingham team 7-0. The match came to a start as the number one player Mark Miller won with a 6-4, 6-4 triumph. Drew Gitlin also won with 6-0, 6-4 and Jon Paley with a 6-1, 6-2. The number four player Dennis Mitchell had a 6-2, 6-2 victory followed by Billy Hein with a 6-5, 6-4. Heading the number one doubles was Jim Rose and Dave Baslow playing a brilliant match defeating their opponents 6-3, 6-3. The number two doubles won their game with a score of 6-4, 6-3.

This years' tennis team looks

exceptionally well with players from last years team along with three ulayers newly entering Taft, Drew Gitlin, Jon Paley and Billy Hein. The team has won their first three practice matches with Grant 5-2, Banning 7-0, and their most recent, Birmingham 7-0. All the players on Varsity singles are ranked except for Dennis Mitchell who will be ranked in the near future. The J.V. team also won their league last year and has an equally strong team this year with Miller, Slatery, Menzer, Kent Golstein, Burch, Lanz, Wax, Black, Ballsun, Margoles, Bidenbach and Lewitt.

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