

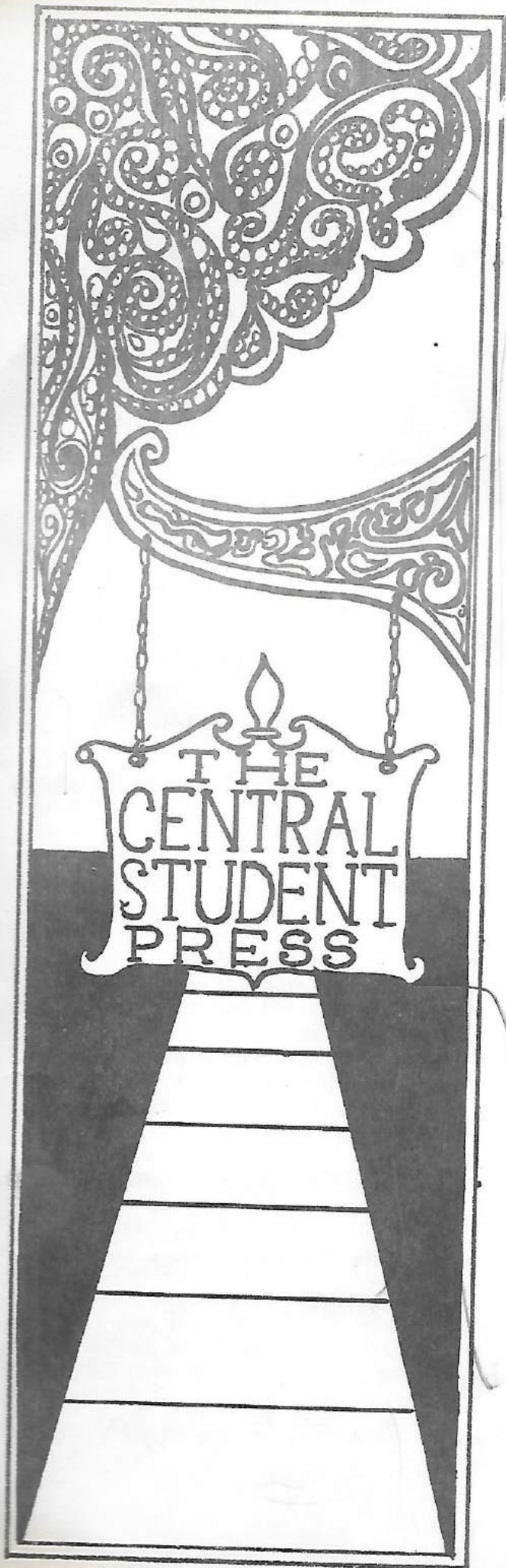
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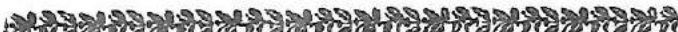

Throughout the year, the CSP has featured many times complaints by students concerning the lack of attendance at JCM basketball games. As a faithful follower of the Cougars, I griped as loudly as anyone about this deficiency.

However, after viewing the tournament games, I have changed my opinion. I was very pleased to see such a fine turnout of students at the District and Regional contests.

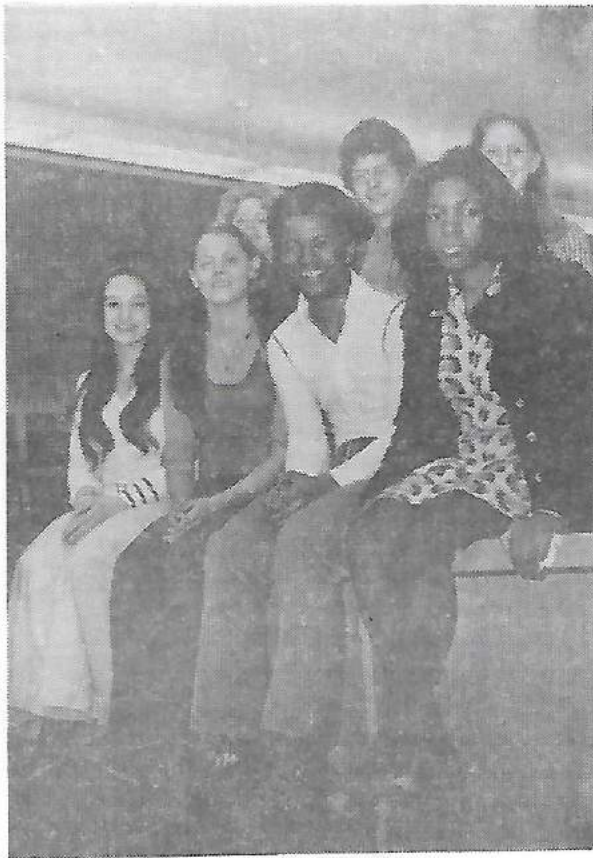
Those who attended these games were very well behaved, and their conduct made me proud to be one of the members of the JCM cheering section. The Cougar supporters were not compulsive "boo-ers" or hecklers as those from McNairy Central had been. They were good winners and more importantly---good losers.

Even though comments in the local newspaper and on local radio stations pointed out Jackson's non-support of the Cougars, I feel that JCM students have begun to overcome the attendance apathy that has been prevalent for two years. Jackson Central-Merry High is on its way to becoming a school that all students can take pride in supporting--on the basketball court and in every aspect of school life.

Kathy Naylor

	
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On behalf of the entire student body, the Central Student Press wishes to express its deepest sympathy for the tragic deaths of Linda Kaye Smith and Walter Phillip Favre. They will be sorely missed by all of us at Jackson Central Merry who knew and loved them.



Fine Arts Tourney At Lambuth

In dance, Libby Perry received a first in jazz dancing and also received a third in ballet. Joyce Roland won first place honors in acrobatic dancing.

Other JCM students who made semi-finals and finals but who did not place were: Kathy Naylor, poetry interpretation and extempore; Debbie Webb, solo-acting; Steve Walker, declamation; Sabrina DeBerry, after-dinner speaking; Ted Maxwell, after-dinner speaking; Loretta Lewis, after-dinner speaking; Anne Thomas, poetry interpretation; Kenneth Adcock, dramatic interpretation; Charlotte Gaither, solo-acting; Sandra Manuel, dramatic interpretation; Tracy Dixon, women's oratory; Steve Dubner, TV script reading; and Lenella Schneider, women's oratory.

The sponsors for this year's JCM team are Mrs. Fran Dubner, Mrs. Cheri Henderson, and Mr. Bill Haney.

The next tournament will be the District II Speech and Dramatics Tournament to be held at the University of Tennessee Martin, March 31.

Friday and Saturday, February 23 and 24, a group of spirited JCM students journeyed to Lambuth College for the Eighth Annual Fine Arts Tournament. Missing the grand sweepstakes by only a few points, JCM tied Henry County High School for second place. Nashville Hillsboro went home with the master trophy. There were thirty schools (approximately 1000 students) involved in this year's tourney.

In speech activities, JCM'ers collected eleven points with Lenella Schneider leading the way with her first place in after-dinner speaking. Her speech was entitled "Sin." Other winners included Keith Davis, second place, solo-acting; Patsy Heidelberg, third place, solo-acting; Teressa Briley, second place, women's oratory; Jerry Dubner and Kevin Erickson, third place, affirmative debate; and Teressa Briley and Ricky Randall, second place, duo-acting.

Shelia Fowler and Warren Franklin won honors in art. Sheila took first place in sculpture, and Warren took a third in sculpture. The Art Department also received an honorable mention in prints.



New Teacher At JCM

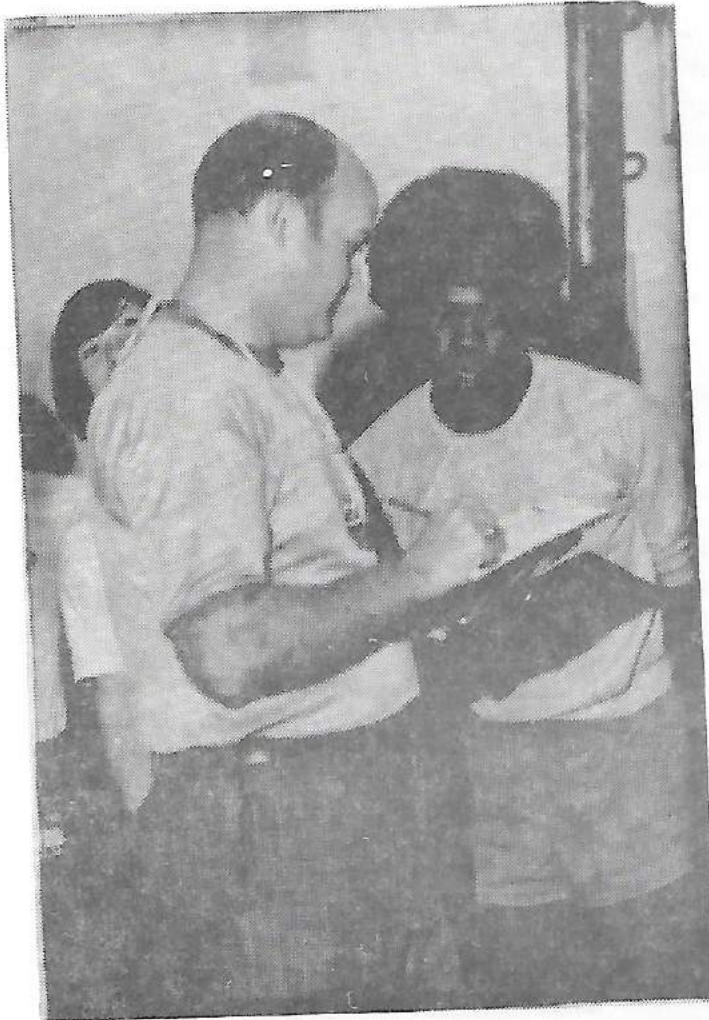
Due to Mrs. Doris Southern's move to Florida, Miss Wanda Rogers has replaced her as teacher of Journalism and General Business. She also sponsors the Central Student Press and the Crossroads.

Miss Rogers graduated from South Side High School in 1968 and attended Lambuth College from which she graduated with a B.A. degree in speech and drama with a minor in English and secondary education. The young teacher's hobbies are playing tennis, sewing and reading Gothic suspense novels.

When asked why she accepted the job, she replied, "I enjoy teaching, and I need the experience to become a permanent teacher."

Miss Rogers is planning to wed Mr. Dennis Taylor in an April ceremony.

Good luck Miss Rogers!



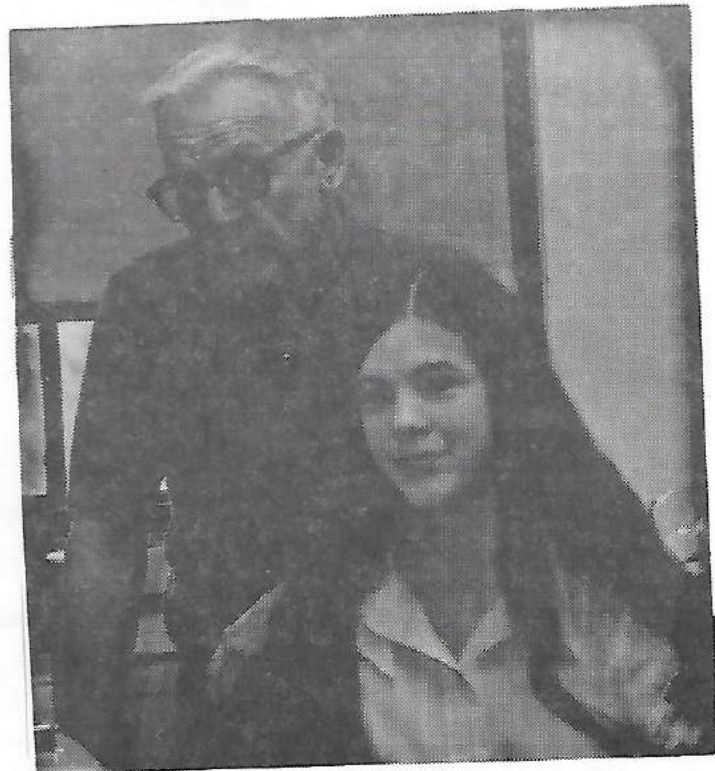
Coach Crawford To Move

Coach Thomas Crawford will be leaving JCM at the end of the current school year to accept the head coaching position at Humboldt High School in Humboldt, Tennessee. His new job becomes effective in September. Along with coaching football and track, he will teach physical education and a course in health. This summer he will serve as recreation director for the city of Humboldt.

Coach Crawford came to Jackson Central Merry High in the fall of 1971 to assume the duties of assistant coach or line coach. Previously, he had been coach at Dyersburg High School. Dyersburg was his first coaching position after his graduation from Murray State University.

As of this writing no replacement for Coach Crawford has been named.

We would like to extend good wishes for Coach Crawford's new future.



Ginny Conger and Mr. Pechoenick were selected to represent JCM in the Bells Laboratories Tournament on March 12 and 15.



Stage Band In Concert

With two rehearsals weekly, March was a vigorous month for the JCM Stage Band. On March 10 they entered the West Tennessee Stage Band Festival in Martin and received an "excellent" rating, also being recognized as one of the best crowd-pleaser bands of the seventeen that were there.

On March 20 the Stage Band gave its annual Spring Concert. Many popular jazz numbers were featured, and vocalists Gwenda Green, Patty Giles, Kenny Wallace, Sheryl McDaniel, Martis Kennedy and Kacky Barnett performed in some of the numbers with the band. Band director Billy Watson did a tenor sax solo on the old Woody Herman hit, "Woodchopper's Ball", and in the same number, Chuck Simmons, a professional drummer from Murray, Kentucky, was featured. With special lighting effects and a good sound system, the concert was a success.

With the previous activities over, the Stage Band is still not ready to settle down. They will give an assembly program in each of the junior high schools as well as one at Jackson Central Merry. These will be done sometime in late April or in May. The Stage Band is also planning a charity concert at the Veterans' Hospital in Memphis within the next few weeks.

AFS Picks Two JCM Students

Steve Dubner and Jerry Crise were selected by the American Field Service to go abroad.

Steve, a senior, has been assured a place for the summer. His destination will be announced at a later date.

Junior, Jerry Crise, will be assigned to a foreign country as long as a housing shortage does not occur.

Out of about 15 other applications sent to New York from Jackson, Steve and Jerry's were selected.

Graduation In Sight

Graduation finally seemed more like a reality than a dream when members of the senior class ordered various graduation articles such as invitations, jewelry, memory books, thank-you cards, invitation covers, and appreciation gifts. It was announced at the meeting that measurements for gowns will be taken in the P.E. classes.

With most term papers completed and invitations ordered, the seniors are preparing for the great day--Graduation '73.

Up With People

This article is in answer to the many questions prompted by the Up With People assembly last month.

Jean Luc Turjean, the group's business manager, provided the CSP with information about the 350 member cast representing thirteen different countries.

New members met in Burlington, Vermont in July to prepare for the show performed at the Jackson Coliseum on Tuesday, February 13th. One month was designated to rehearsing the show six days a week from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Resulting from the time-consuming practice were three non-professional casts.

Cast A, which performed in Jackson, consists of high school graduates eager to pass on the reality of peace and love to society. Cast B is formed of high school seniors and college freshmen. They carry with them teachers and books, studying throughout the show's tour. The final cast, C, opens the way for the larger ones by exposing new areas of the Up With People program. The casts have traveled all over the world and are now trying to get into Russia.

The two-hour show of original music is prepared and carried out entirely by cast members. Besides rehearsing and performing, the members must set up the fifteen tons of equipment used at every general showing.

Business manager, Jean Luc Turjean estimates that \$2,000 per day is the cost for staging the show. Public and private donations have helped make it possible for Up With People to continue to take their musical message of peace and love to audiences all over the world.

Seniors Of '74 Get Rings

A long-awaited event for many juniors has finally happened!

Senior rings for the class of '74 were ordered on March 20 and 21. Mr. John Harris from L.G. Balfour Company received orders from the anxious junior.

Delivery of the senior rings is expected before the close of school in June.

STUDENT WINS YTC AWARD

Steve Walker, a junior, won a silver medal for his performance with a Youth Temperance Council speech "Bars!" during the Lambuth Fine Arts Tournament in February.

Since JCM did not have a YTC declamation contest this year, the award was presented to Steve who reached the semi-finals at Lambuth in declamation.

Due to illness, Mrs. Kate Breur, state YTC secretary was not able to present the medal. Mr. Bill Haney presented Steve with the medal during Steve's fifth period speech class.

Assemblies

Students on the East campus were entertained March 22 by a singing group from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. The music presented was taken from the Broadway musical "Two Gentlemen from Verona." A couple of the singers captured the eye of the students. Having no names for us, they can only be described as the cool man with the beard and the soulful lady who sang the last song which was "Make Your Own Kind of Music."

Wednesday, March 21, the students of the West Campus were privileged to have an assembly during the third period which featured the JCM Stage Band.

Some numbers performed were "Easy Mover" and "Funky Turtle" featuring sax player, William Jarmon. There was then a change of pace with a vocal selection, "Walk on By" featuring Gwenda Green. Then, to enable the teachers to reminisce over old times the band presented the "Woodchoppers Ball" with band director, Bill Watson and student, William Jarmon on the saxophone.

Other numbers presented were "Up-Tight" which featured Lynn Webb on the piano, Buford Hurst on the kee base and Terry Simms on the drums; and "Mantilla Lace" with Joe Overton and his trumpet in the spotlight.

The closing performance was "Rocking Horse" featuring Arthur Jones on the trumpet.

Conduct at the assembly was characterized as "well done."

Record Review

One of the most depressingly putrid albums I have had the misfortune of hearing in a long time is Tommy (the remake) by the London Symphony Orchestra and Chambre Choir. Included are guest soloists Ringo Starr, Rod Stewart, Richie Haven, and the opera's author, Pete Townshend.

The album is embarrassingly poor for several reasons. First of all, Tommy was written as a rock opera to be performed by the Who, a hard rock group. The London Symphony and Chambre Choir are good, but sound as out of place as a kazoo in the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. Second, many of the guest artists are unsuited to the material. Rod Stewart and Ringo Starr are particularly poor in singing their roles. Third, the Who's Tommy is one of rock music's high points. Almost any remake of the opera is bound to fall short of the original.

The double album Tommy's only saving grace is in its slick packaging. The libretto included is very nice, but hardly warrants the \$11.98 list price.

The opera's hero, Tommy, is deaf, dumb and blind. After this new interpretation of the Who's rock opera, we all might as well share Tommy's fate.

Roberta Flack is one of a rare breed of musicians. She is an artist in the true sense of the word. She sets, not follows trends, can't be categorized, and has her own distinctive style.

She blends jazz, blues and pop skillfully on Quiet Fire. The album is characterized by good back-up musicians, music in several trends (blues, jazz, and pop), and by Miss Flack's elegant voice. Trained as a classical soprano, this singer's voice has a powerful but controlled quality.

Quiet Fire contains no hits, but is pleasant listening. It is a good, but not outstanding album. Miss Flack co-authored only one of the eight numbers. If you like Roberta Flack, Quiet Fire is a must; if you like good, pleasant music, it certainly merits listening.

"A five-man English rock group." This description could fit any number of groups except when applied to Yes. Yes is one of the new breed of groups which is branching out musically. Instead of just using guitars and drums, Yes uses pianos, a synthesizer, and an organ. Yes relies upon intricate blends of melodies and rhythms rather than trite lyrics or volume.

One of Fragile's best qualities is its easy flowing music. Yes really sounds unrestrained and creative. Because of this, Fragile does not sound contrived.

"Round-about" is the album's best song. It is an excellent number, showcasing all of Yes's musical talents. The remainder of the album is good, but not excellent.

While all numbers sound different, one or two lack real musical expression and remain mundane. On the whole Fragile is a better than average album. It is a good example of a new breed of rock--innovative rock.



If you wish to have a certain album reviewed, contact either Steve Dubner or a member of the CSP staff. Unless students turn in requests, the staff has no way of knowing which albums should be reviewed.

Special thanks to J.C. Penny Co. and Bill Dodd for supplying the albums used in this column.

FTA

At the last meeting of F.T.A. on March 1, members were honored to have Mrs. Jessie Brooks, Supervisor of Jackson elementary schools, speak to them concerning the senior field day at the end of school.

Senior members of F.T.A. are in the process of preparing a program to share with a classroom of the grade that they feel they would be interested in teaching in future years. Mrs. Brooks related some of her experiences to them on what to expect from the reactions of students to teachers.

No date has been specified for the senior field day, only that it will take place at the end of this school year. This will be considered as an excused absence for seniors and will still qualify for exemption. We want to thank Mr. Fann for allowing seniors to take part in this experiment.

Upward Bound

The members of the Upward Bound Club are presently keeping themselves busy by participating in numerous community activities. On April 7 the members will be journeying to Lemoyne-Owen College in Memphis to compete in the College Bowl Tournament. JCM semi-finalists for the team are Jerry Hill, Sheryl Berry, Nathan Pride, and Fred Cawthorn. Good luck!

On April 1 all members will go to see "Sounder", a movie about a sharecropper's family during the depression.

All students interested in becoming a part of the club should contact Mrs. Anita Hodges, Mrs. Frances Dubner, or any member of the club.

Nathan Pride

TOEC

TOEC club members attended the regional TOEC contest at Jackson State Community College Tuesday, March 20. Among winners of the West Tennessee VOE program were Charlotte Fowler and Brenda Baudo from JCM. Charlotte Fowler placed second in clerical production, and Brenda Baudo, second in printing calculator. Both qualified to compete in Nashville, April 6.

Spanish

The American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese annually sponsor a competitive examination to stimulate student interest in the study of the Spanish language. This year thirteen students from Jackson Central Merry competed at the Memphis State University Center. These students were Becky Byrd, Jan Cain, Elsie Cook, Rex Curry, Virginia Halvarson, Davida Irby, Barry Kirby, Erich Koehler, Gay Nell Smith, Suzanne Templeton, Greg Tillman, Molly Wagster, and Fran Yandell.

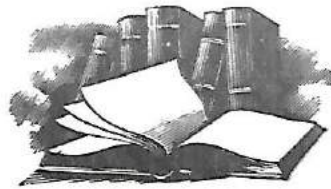
Thespian News

The Thespian Society held its monthly meeting March 7 after school. Plans were made for the up-coming One-Act Play Contest, which is to be held Tuesday, May 1. Student directors for the plays are senior, Kathy Naylor; junior, Kenneth Adcock; and sophomore, Marilyn Wallace. Plays chosen were "Summer People," "The Happy Scarecrow," and "The Sandbox."

Other business discussed at the meeting was the starting of a new pledge class. President Keith Davis stated that anyone feeling that they have enough points to pledge, should contact either pledge-mistress, Sandra Manuel or pledgemaster, Kenneth Adcock.



Petty Corner



Book Reviews

A soft wind blows
The trees speak to me
Straining to touch the ground.

Boiling clouds approach
Threatening to block
The sun from the sky

Rain starts to fall,
Gently touching the leaves
Gathering strength as it falls.

The rain lashes in rage
Lightning rips the sky
The trees scream in fright.

The trees are quiet,
Leaving just a memory
Of the fury of the sky.

Cindy Williams

Haiku

A key that goes in
Is not always the one that
Will open the lock.

Joseph Allen

Rain pelting the ground,
Nurturing a tree to life
So that it may die.

Stan Berry

Who can glimpse the Truth?
None who think that they are wise
And none who won't look.

Steve Dubner

Eleanor and Franklin by Joseph Lash

Mr. Lash relates the history of America's most important political couple, Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt. Through the private papers of Eleanor, the reader discovers the powerful force that shaped President Roosevelt, namely the personality of his wife.

The Late Great Planet Earth by Hal Lindsey and C.C. Carlson

What is the future of mankind? The authors attempt to answer this age old question with the prophecies of the Old Testament and the Book of Revelations. This book is interesting and easy reading, but slightly depressing.

The Service - The Memoirs of General Reinhard Gehlem

The world of spies espionage and top secret documents is quite familiar to General Gehlem who was Hitler's head of military espionage in Russia. After the fall of the Third Reich, he became head of the official West German intelligence agency. These memoirs offer answers to questions ranging from the fate of Martin Bormann to the botching of the Bay of Pigs. Gehlem also predicts the ultimate future of East-West relations and urges the free world to take lead.

Harry S. Truman by Margaret Truman

A delightful biography of one of the United States' most flamboyant Presidents is related by his daughter, Margaret. Through personal memorandums and letters, the reader discovers Mr. Truman, the President and Mr. Truman, the family man. I suggest this biography for everyone concerned about today. After all, Harry Truman's controversial decisions shaped the world of the present.

Band

March marked a busy month for the JCM Concert band with a Spring Concert given on March 20. Many varieties of numbers were performed, including the contest music that will be performed at the West Tennessee Concert Band Festival in Memphis on April 6 and 7.

Section leaders are busy preparing their sections for this annual contest; and challenges are rampant. Soon, however, all seats will become permanent and the Contest Band will be ready for the opposition.

At the West Tennessee Solo and Ensemble Contest in March, five JCM students received "superior" ratings. They are Betsy Edmonson with a solo; Nancy Huffman and Janet Gascoigne with a duet; and Robert Sevier, Judy Otey and Amy Williamson with a trio. Receiving "excellent" ratings were Nancy Huffman, Debra Lipscomb, Gwenda Green and Rhonda Graves.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION



Two pounds, five pounds, and ten pounds; one of these is the decision of the girls' P.E. classes on the West Campus. Under the direction of Mrs. Hicks, a weight training program has been started. The girls are trying to lose weight, gain weight and tone their bodies by doing exercises with weights.

East Campus students have been playing organized games such as kick-ball and prison ball. Soon they will be playing badminton and ping-pong, as well as bouncing on the trampoline and tumbling.

Speech

The one-act plays for annual class competition have been selected. All three plays for this year's event are of superior quality.

"The Happy Scarecrow," a drama-fantasy by I. E. Clark, is the choice of the juniors. It's a strange search, sometimes comical, sometimes sad, with the Scarecrow meeting a variety of characters, each one trying desperately to find happiness. The junior play will be directed by Kenneth Adcock who has won two Best Supporting Actor awards.

The sophomores have chosen a "theatre of the absurd" production by Edward Albee, "The Sandbox." Marilyn Wallace, 1972 state winner in duo-acting, will be directing the sophomores.

The action of the senior drama "Summer People" is one of unspoken shock and silent hostility. This macabre tale was written by the mistress of suspense, Shirley Jackson, who also wrote "The Lottery." The senior play will be directed by Kathy Naylor, last year's state representative in extemporaneous speaking.

These three colorful one-acts will be presented Tuesday, May 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the West Campus auditorium.

Kenneth Adcock



Dear Cat

Dear C.A.T.,

I, along with so many others have been working out with weights in P.E. on the West Campus. I was trying to build up my bust and slim down my hips, but something went wrong. I don't know what to do!

Used to be 36-25-39----now 32-25-43

Dear Used,

You poor thing! I suggest suing those responsible for inflicting cruel and inhumane punishment, and infringing upon your right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of the perfect figure!

Dear C.A.T.,

What's a good cure for spring fever--I've got it bad!

Feverish

Dear Feverish,

My great-grandmother gave me this guaranteed cure. Take a large dose of sulfur and molasses--it won't cure you, but it tastes so bad you'll forget you had it. You'll even forget what the season is!

Dear C.A.T.,

I have a terrific crush on you. Would you consider dating me? Please!

Infatuated

Dearest Infatuated,

You and everyone else in this school, I'm not picky. I will gladly date you as long as you're male, tall, dark, handsome, rich, intelligent, witty, charming, exciting, and interesting. I might add that the "interesting" will be taken care of if you meet all of the other requirements. Moustaches also turn me on.

Dear C.A.T.,

Recently I've had a compulsion to hit myself. It's really strange. The only place I hit is my shoulder. I never hit myself more than twice at a time, and I find myself doing it just to hear the sound my hand makes as it hits my shoulder. It goes "flap, flap." Am I going crazy?

Bruised

Dear Bruised,
Yes.

Dear C.A.T.,

Do you believe in Astrology?

Star-gazer

Dear Star-gazer,

I had rather not answer that question. My horoscope for today advised me not to comment on questions dealing with Astrology. Write me some day when I am allowed to do so without inciting possible danger to my person.



Beauty Tips

Now that warm weather has confronted us, hair is going up, clothes are getting skimpier, and feet are going bare. So to be fit from head to toe, here are some tips for that part of your body nearest to the floor.

Remedies--

For Corns: Take one ounce of fresh ivy leaves, put them in a pot or jar, add enough vinegar to cover the leaves. Cover the pot or jar and let stand two weeks, adding more vinegar as needed as it is absorbed by the leaves. At the end of time put a leaf on the corn and bind it with gauze. Keep changing the leaf until the corn is softened enough to lift out.

For Calluses: Every time you take a bath, rub the calluses with a pumice stone. After the bath massage them with glycerine or lanolin.

Rubbing the whole foot once a week with warm olive oil is an excellent beauty treatment.

For excessive foot perspiration powdered alum is the best to use.

For tired, aching feet add the following to warm water and soak your feet in it:

1 oz. Sodium sulphate
3 ounces Bicarbonate of Soda
4 ounces regular salt.

Student Profiles

Name: Edith Moten

Favorites:

car: Mustang
color: blue
food: Italian spaghetti
sport: basketball
activity: sewing
past time: talking
hobby: watching television
song: "I May Not Be What You Want"
teacher: Mrs. Shelton
person: Harold "Hip" Moten
possession: overweight
season: summer
subject: Typing II

Pet Peeve: tests

Last Will & Testament: I leave Jackie Glenn my mind so she can make up her mind on things.

Birthday: April 22

Name: Susan Cowen

Favorites:

car: Mustang
color: metallic blue
possession: Car
food: sausage pizza
sport: basketball
activity: DBS
past time: playing the piano
hobby: fighting with Angie
song: "Strumming My Fate"
teacher: Mrs. Robertson
person: Angie
season: spring and fall
subject: bookkeeping

Pet Peeve: two-faced people

Last Will & Testament: My Mustang to Roy.

Birthday: August 10.

Name: John Allen

Favorites:

car: 1967 Ford Galaxie 500
color: blue
possession: roto-rooter
food: Anything as long as its dead and edible
sport: track
activity: sorting my socks
past time: Explaining the facts of life to Tommy Cagle.
hobby: dating sensuous women
song: "Cover on the Rolling Stones"
teacher: Mrs. F. Johnson and Mr. Simon
person: no comment
season: pepper
subject: women

Pet Peeve: People telling me how to do a job.

Last Will & Testament: I leave my stubbornness and temper to Kathy Timby.

Birthday: June 23

Name: Chris Harris

Favorites:

car: Fury III
color: blue
possession: Steve
food: spaghetti
sport: volleyball
activity: talking on the phone
past time: sewing
hobby: collecting bottles
song: "Love Train"
teacher: Bethel
person: Steve
season: spring
subject: English

Pet Peeve: People that talk about their dates

Birthday: March 16

OPINION

The Musician

What is a musician? Some people seem to have the misleading idea that a musician is primarily a person of weirdo-like standards. No true musician can see the purpose behind such a fallacy. Just like doctors, lawyers and teachers, musicians are readily a part of the human race, owning no less and no more eccentricities than the other person.

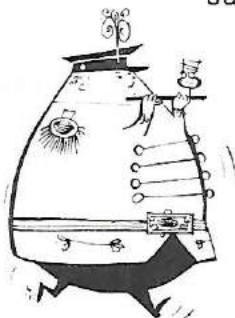
For instance, everybody at some time or other in their life feels that they are the left-over ghost of some deceased celebrity. Musicians are no exception, except that their reincarnations are such well-known people as Bach, Beethoven, Brahms, and Benedict Arnold.

Musicians have hobbies, too, just like other people. Several high school musicians in the area have an obsession for kicking over desks in order to hear the melody the dissonant sound of the crash will produce. Other student musicians are amateur wrestlers, hollering and yelling during the course of their fight in the key of E-flat.

The homes of musicians are also completely normal. Even the cars they drive are the usual, every-day kind. A certain band van of one of the area high schools is so normal that it even stops in the middle of heavy traffic, refusing to budge unless the proper chant is given, and at invariable times of the season will even throw its riders out the door.

People are just like musicians, or rather, musicians are just like people. Without the balance of the serene minds, inept wisdom and intelligence of musicians, the world would be in total chaos.

Janet Gascoigne



Individualism

As we advance in years, form beliefs, and strike forth opinions, we fail to remember others' right to difference. These differences or individualities are looked upon in a distasteful fashion along with ridiculing accusations followed by trials of reformation. Like one another in this aspect, the opposing believers usually stand by their first witnessings not letting others influence them. Seldom can be found the man, strongly believing he is right, who realizes the possibility of his being wrong. Nor is there often a man considerate enough to respectfully accept another's belief if different from his own. With so many different beliefs in this world, would it not be wise to learn a little of each? Perhaps such a gesture could lead to better understanding and tolerance of others and break the barriers of inferiority and superiority, "mis-guided" and learned.

Mary Barbour

Horoscope

Aquarius (Jan. 20- Feb. 18)

Keep work well organized. Complete what you have started this month. Give attention to younger ones.

Pices (Feb. 19-March 20)

Stick with your job, don't change. Make changes and adjustments in future plans.

Aries (March 21-April 20)

Don't let temper run away with you. You will be communicating with new people. Be more friendly.

Taurus (April 21-May 20)

Good month for accomplishing unfinished projects. Watch out for close friends.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

Be alert to ideas of others. Make exchanges. Faraway places are important to you this month through correspondence.

Cancer (June 21-July 21)

Watch your health. You will attract friends who are stable. Sports are favored.

Leo (July 22-August 21)

Watch money matters. Seek knowledge. Get plenty of rest. You will plan a short trip during the coming holidays.

Virgo (August 22-Sept. 21)

Don't be critical and fussy. Be tolerant. There will be opportunity for improvement.

Libra (Sept. 22-Oct. 22)

Don't overlook your close friends. Don't fool yourself.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Keep things well organized. Slow down and make some changes.

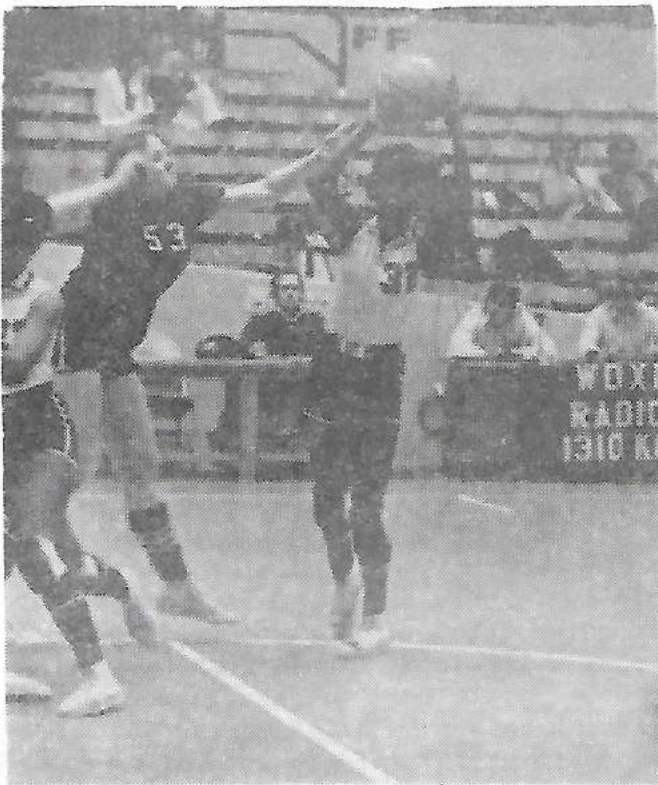
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Watch financial matters this month. Be more creative.

Plan to go on a short trip.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Good news will be brought to you this month. Plan ahead.



Girls Basketball

JCM topped Dyersburg on the second night of the Girls Regional Tournament held at the Jackson Coliseum. The Lady Cougars took an easy lead and held it throughout the game. At half-time the score was 28 to 18, and the game ended with a tally of 57 to 36. Junior Brenda Pirtle was the leading scorer with 31 points.

The Lady Cougars gained another triumph over Fayette-Ware on Wednesday night. The half-time score was 24 to 12 with the game ending in the Cougars' favor 44-24. Of the total number of points scored, Brenda Pirtle tallied 22 followed by Connie Forbis with 18 and Maxine Copeland with 4. This win placed JCM in the Sub-State Tournament held in Dixon, Tennessee.

Unfortunately JCM lost in their contest with McNairy Central in the final game of the region. The fatal score was 58 to 47. Leading scorer for Jackson Central-Merry was once again Brenda Pirtle sinking 27 points.

In the Sub-State Tournament the skillful team battled the state champions, Lewisburg, missing a victory by only 6 points.

The Lady Cougars are to be praised for their outstanding 26-5 winning season.

Spring Training

Now is the season for training: toughening up muscles, co-ordinating the body, learning defensive and offensive plays. This medicine does not apply to all, only a select few--JCM's football team engaged in spring training.

In a brief interview with head football coach, Richard Ross, it was learned that the training lasts a total of twenty school days. The newcomers to the team include fifty-five ninth graders. When asked did there seem to be any exceptionally good players, he said, "Eight to ten good sophomores." Then, "I'm glad to see that the greater nucleus of the team is still here from last year."

Spring training is a must because it gives a good idea of the basis for fall training. Evidently, the work is not exactly all fun. According to Ross, the squad stands at 105 players; whereas in the beginning there were 115.

Ross also stated that he and the other coaches are looking forward to a winning season. They are pleased with the progress now being made.

To conclude spring training, the team will host a "Green and Gold" game scheduled for the first week in April.

BASEBALL SCHEDULE

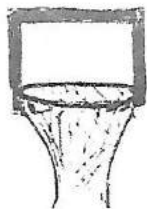
APRIL

3	Trezevant	There	4:00
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10	West	Here	3:30
12	Beech Bluff	Here	4:00
14	Campbellville High (2 games)	Here	1:00
23	Bolivar	There	4:00
24	South Side	Here	3:30
26	Dyersburg	There	5:00
27	North Side	Here	3:30

MAY

1	West	There	3:00
2	Bolivar	Here	4:00
4	Beech Bluff	There	3:30
8	Dyersburg	Here	4:00
10	Lexington	There	3:30
11	Northside	There	3:30

JCM forward Macon Hunt received honorable mention in the AP poll for the All-State Basketball Team.



Boys Basketball

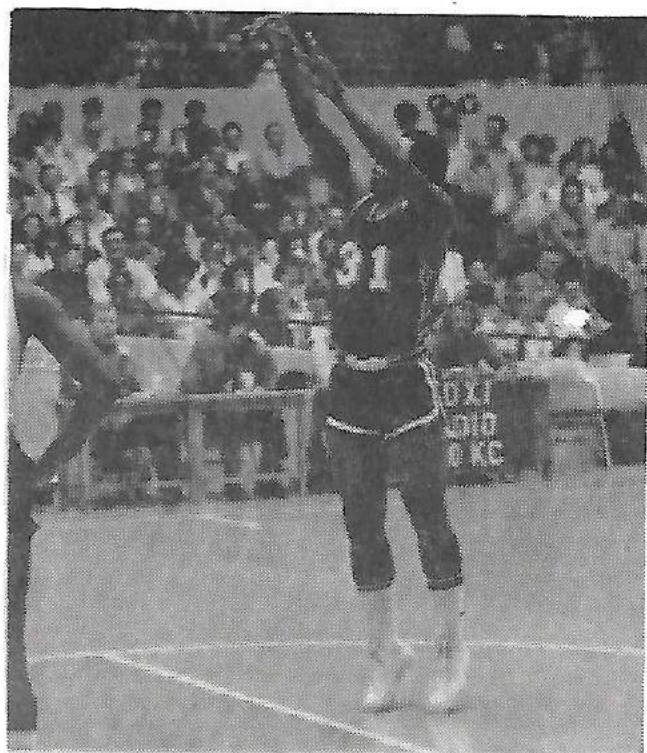
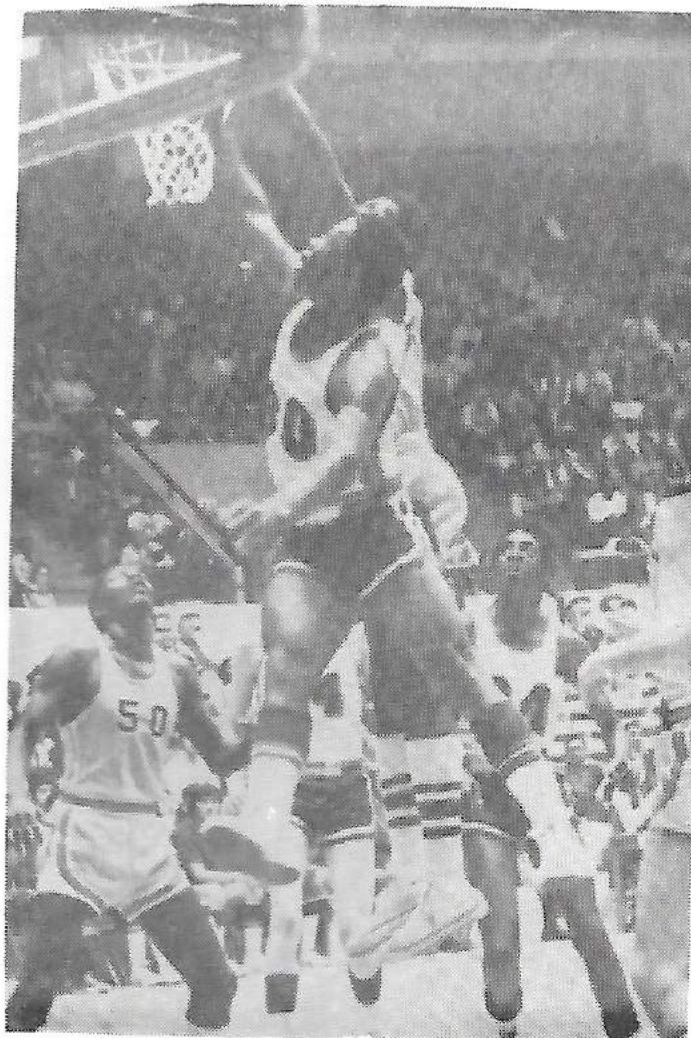
The 1972-73 basketball season came to a heart-breaking close when the Cougars were defeated by Columbia High School in the Sub-State Tournament on Saturday, March 10 in Murfreesboro, Tennessee. Much can be said of the game but to many the main barrier to a Cougar victory was the strange officiating. JCM players drew an unbelievable number of charging fouls from shooting lay-ups and then coming down on an opposing player. To many Jackson fans, it seemed the fault of the Columbia player, since he edged his way up under the Cougars as they were driving for the goal.

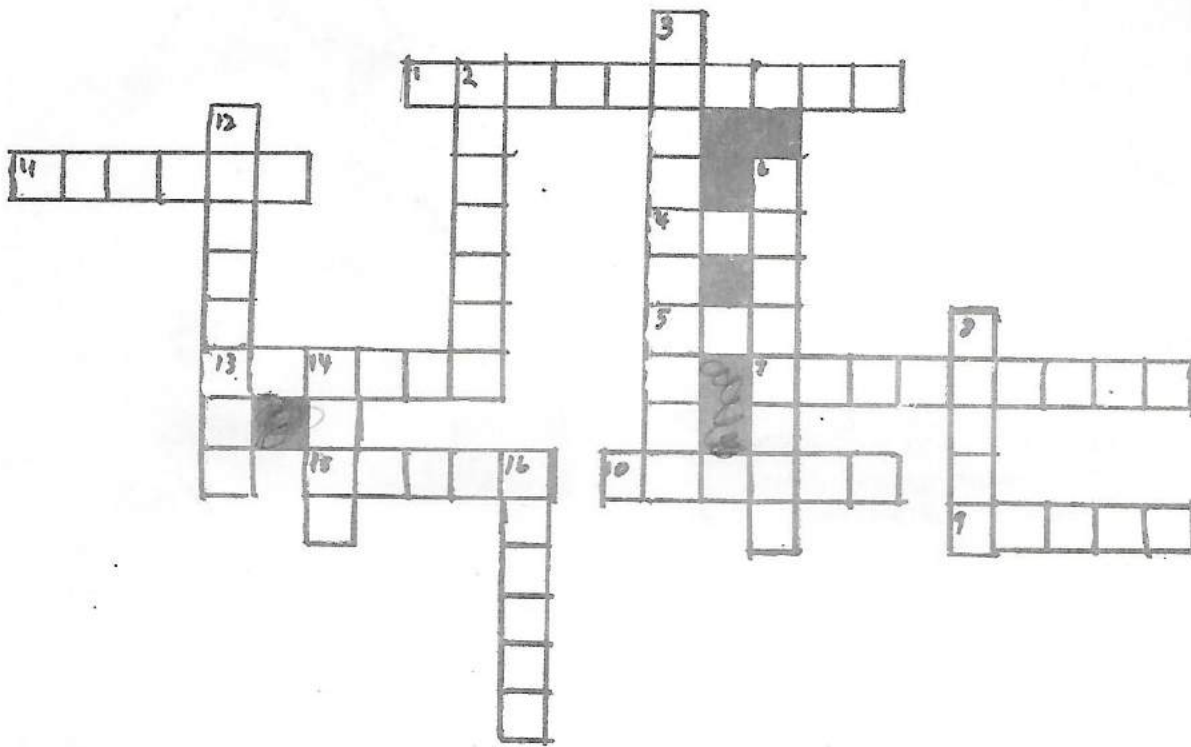
The score varied greatly. The game opened up optimistically for Jackson as they took their greatest and only lead in the first quarter at 12-6. The score at the end of the first quarter was just 12-11 with the Cougars still on top. But then the Columbia team began easing up their score. The difference of scores ranged from JCM's being behind 13 points and then closing in to within 3 points, but never taking the lead again.

James Vinson and Macon Hunt were unfamiliar to the referees and fouled out later in the game.

We feel that the JCM Cougars have done a great job and have accomplished great things even when so many people were against them. To us, the fact that other teams opposed the Cougars shows their fear and respect for the Cougars' roar.

We want to also congratulate Coach Oman and Mr. Matthews for their interest and concern in these ballplayers' lives. They've shown the Cougars not only the right way to play basketball, but also the right way to live.





ACROSS

1. Name of yearbook
4. Home Ec. club
5. Decay
7. Art teacher
9. Wanderer
10. Printing teacher
11. Band Director
13. Guest speaker at F.H.A. meeting
15. Biology II teacher

DOWN

2. New Journalism teacher
3. Coach who is moving to Humboldt
6. Baseball coach
8. Yellow citrus fruit
12. Team who defeated Cougars at boy's sub-state
14. Basketball coach and biology teacher
16. School reporter for The Jackson Sun