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Bazemore Won't Pick Favorites

By CHARLIE ROBERTS

Wright Bazemore ranks side-by-side to the Okefenokee Swamp as a South Georgia institution and shoulder-to-shoulder with Paul Brown as America's premier all-time high school football coach.



Charlie Roberts

Valdosta will tell you about some of the great ones his 31 teams played against, and he'll tell you some great stories about them.

"That kid Johnny Lipsey over at Tifton, maybe 20 years ago, had the most fabulous night against us of any back we ever faced," said Bazemore, starting to laugh as he anticipated the punch line, provided by Johnny, an impish fireplug of a pixie.

"He carried the ball seven times against us, had one touchdown called back but ran for six that counted," said Bazemore. "He ran a punt back all the way for a touchdown. On that run he stopped dead still by our bench, said to me, 'Hi, Coach,' then took off for the goal again."

"Clint Madray, who coaches Jesup now, was a great tackle there when he played, about 1948, I think. They had seven big old blocks of granite in their line, and they'd just stand the waiting for us to come so they could maul us. We beat them, 28-0, but we threw for all our touchdowns, couldn't run on them at all. All night I kept sending in word for our boys to run up the middle some. Finally, one of our backs came to the sideline and said, 'Coach, if you want a play run up the middle you come out here and do it yourself.' They'd just wait for us and knock us down," he laughed.

"Some of the greatest I remember we played against were that Jimmy Burson over at LaGrange (labeled an Auburn and Atlanta Falcon), Max Mason at Rockmart, George Guisler and Fran Tarkenton at Athens. And that Andy Johnson (now soph QB at Georgia) was really a good one. And that Hooks boy (Wayne) at Richmond Academy looked good to me last year. He had a fantastic night against us when we lost in the playoffs, 18-14. He could throw.

"Albany had five or six really good ones, Harold Dean Cook (center), Weyman Sellers, who's coached at Athens many years. He beat me one night catching passes all over that field.

"Lauren Hargrove at Fitzgerald was one of the best we ever faced, too. And by the way, we turned around and beat Lipsey and that crowd in the playoffs when Pig Dabis coached at Tifton. We shouldn't have, but did... and then Mason and Rockmart beat us for the title. They were great.

"Jesup really had 10 or 15 great ones, Richard Johnson (260-pound center in 1954), Len Hauss, Baddy Bennett. There was Jimmy Guy (tackle), Donnie Miller, Marvin Hurst, George Usry at Waycross, Ray Mercer at Moultrie."

Bazemore catalogued on over to Thomasville—Dickie Thompson (53 touchdowns in 4 years), Joel Arrington, Jimmy Harper. Then he said, "They all run together when I start talking about them. There were so many, and someone's bound to say, 'Hey, Coach, you left me out. You didn't say nothing about me.'

Valdosta's Bazemore Decides to Step Down

(From Tuesday's late editions)
By BILL SKUTT
Constitution Preen Editor

The legendary Wright Bazemore called it quits Monday night, telling the Valdosta School Board "it's time to hang it up."

Bazemore, one of the nation's all-time successful high school football coaches, left Valdosta High after 29 years at the school, compiling a 290-43-7 record, including 15 state championships.

His most recent championship came last Saturday night, 62-12 over Avondale High. Bazemore coached 31 years in all, two at Waycross.

The 55-year-old coach asked to be retained as athletic director and while no action was immediately taken school board chairman Reuben Yancey told him, "There will always be a place for you."

The board later named Charlie Green, a nine-year assistant under Bazemore, to replace his mentor.

Bazemore, a native of Fitzgerald, Ga., told the school board, "The pressure has become unbearable."

His retirement was not unexpected. The Atlanta Constitution reported Nov. 26 that Bazemore would step down at the end of this season.

Though Bazemore never confirmed he would retire this year he never said he wouldn't. Monday night he did.

"I'll have to check with my principal and my school board before I make any announce-

ments," Bazemore said Monday morning before the rumored announcement.

"There are some things that have to be ironed out. I'll have to see what they want to do. They may want to fire me.

"I can't say the idea hasn't been discussed," he said.

'NOTHING DECIDED'

Bazemore Mum on Plans

By STEVE CLARK

Wright Bazemore, the crafty old Valdosta emperor whose 15th state football championship trophy is now tucked safely away in the showcase, said Sunday night he doesn't know when he's going to retire.

And the Georgia coach of coaches just wishes the newspapers and radio and TV stations wouldn't make such a fuss about it anyway. He said he's called no press conference to announce anything.

"There ought to be some way you could sue the papers and the TV folks for writing and saying all those things," said Bazemore over the phone from his Valdosta home.

"Honestly, I don't know anything about retiring yet. I'm gonna talk to the principal about it. But nothing has been decided."

Bazemore then turned to this year's Valdosta bulldozer which buried Avondale, 62-12, in the Class AAA championship game Saturday night in Valdosta.

"I'm real proud of the boys," said Bazemore, who would not call this Wildcat edition "the greatest ever" because he has refused to stick those kind of labels on any of his teams in 31 years.

"Stanley Bounds (the sensational senior quarterback) had a great game," continued Bazemore. "But I wasn't sur-

Bazemore Quits Coaching, Stays Athletic Director

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

After a career of success unmatched in the annals of Georgia's high school football history, Wright Bazemore has relinquished his duties as head coach of Valdosta's famed Wildcats.

At a meeting Monday night Bazemore, 55, asked for and received permission from the Valdosta city school system's board of education to give up his coaching duties, which he has performed with brilliance at VHS over a 31-year span.

The board, after going into an executive session from which the news media were excluded, announced that Charlie Greene, an assistant at VHS for 10 years, will become the 'Cats' new head football coach.

Bazemore is to continue as the athletic director at VHS and of the Valdosta city school system, positions he has held along with his coaching assignment in recent years.

While Bazemore has been talking about ending his coaching career for a year, he didn't make his firm decision in the matter known publicly until Monday night. The announcement came just two days after his 1971 'Cats climaxed a perfect 13-0 campaign by win-

ning the state Class AAA championship for the eighth time in the last 12 years.

"I've been coaching here since 1940," the super successful mentor said, "and now it's time to hang it up." Later Bazemore said he's giving up coaching because "the pressure has become unbearable."

"It's difficult to put into words how much you (Bazemore) have meant to our school system and our city," board chairman Ruben Yancey said. "No other member of our faculty has the hearts of so many people with you. There will always be a place for you here."

Other board members added their vocal praise as did M. E. Nichols of Valdosta, president of the Georgia High School Association, and Bobby Greene, president of the Valdosta Touchdown Club.

Nichols and Bobby Greene said both the GHSA and the TD Club will honor Bazemore "in special ways" at future dates.

A native of Fitzgerald, Bazemore began his coaching career in 1938 as an assistant at Waycross High. He joined the VHS staff in 1940 as an aide to the late Bobby Hooks, who at the time was the Wildcats' grid

boss.

Bazemore became the VHS head football coach in 1941 and has served in that capacity since, except for three years he spent in the U. S. Navy during World War II.

His teams have compiled the

amazing overall record of 290-43-6 and the 'Cats have won 15 state championships since '40. Including the one the Wildcats earned with a 62-12 victory over Avondale this past Saturday, Valdosta has ruled the Class

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A Portrait of a Champion Coach

VALDOSTA, Ga.—Valdosta High's legendary football coach Wright Bazemore is pictured with an unidentified Wildcat player during Saturday's Class AAA state championship

game here. Bazemore won his 15th state title in his fabled coaching career when the Wildcats stung Avondale, 62-12. (Associated Press Wirephoto)

verbal barb at Bazemore because Kennedy thought Bounds' feet stayed on the field too long.

Kennedy charged that Bazemore didn't call off the dogs soon enough, saying, "I wasn't too happy about it. I don't want this to sound like sour grapes, but I simply see no sense in a 60-year-old man trying to embarrass a bunch of kids... I feel like a coach shouldn't leave his best people in there when the game is out of reach."

Bazemore shrugged off Kennedy's remarks by saying: "What he didn't realize is that we played 55 boys before the first half. And we played all 81 before the game ended.

He didn't have a bad game in two years for us."

Bounds spent Sunday evening dining out with recruiters from the University of Georgia.

"We've had so many recruiters around here," said Bazemore. "Bounds ate dinner at his own home Friday night for the first time in six weeks. I swear I don't see how the boy was able to keep his feet on the field with all that pressure."

But the red-headed quarterback did keep his feet on the field, completing 13-of-15 passes for 313 yards and five touchdown passes.

In Atlanta, Avondale Coach Crawford Kennedy tossed a



Wright Bazemore

The Bazemore Era Ends, But What's Next?

By BOB PRICE
Times-Union Sports Writer
VALDOSTA, Ga. — As explosive an offense as has been seen on a high school football field fashioned a fitting climax Saturday night to the 30-year Valdosta coaching career of Wright Bazemore.

Bazemore is retiring. Whether it be today or not is still a question. Some school board members and some officers in the Valdosta Quarterback Club say today is the day.

BUT BAZEMORE is still

that silent guy who has rolled up 277 wins en route to 15 state championships. His Wildcats during the past 30 years have lost only 43.

"It could be Monday, or later," said Bazemore. "I have got to talk to the superintendent and the school board, so just when I announce isn't really certain," said Bazemore.

One school board member, just feet away from Bazemore and a football field of well-wishers, said Saturday night, "Don't quote me, but

we'll meet Monday night to name his successor. It's absolutely definite he's quitting.

"Wright's only 55 and I wish we could get him to stay on in some capacity so he could qualify for a school pension. You see, it doesn't matter how long you've been around, if you retire before 60, you lose the pension."

So, it's highly possible that those talks Bazemore is planning with school officials will actually be the school people trying to talk him into accepting another post for at least

five years.

"YOU BET I'm going to rest. I've got a lot of hunting and fishing to catch up with," smiled Bazemore, who is scheduled to be in Jacksonville this week for a physical check-up.

Saturday night, Bazemore didn't want to talk about himself. He was full of his boys and he gripped the game ball with such care that his actions said, "I'm keeping you forever."

While Bazemore was singing the praises of all his Wild-

cats, and especially of Stanley Bounds, Stanford Rome, Steve Stanaland, Roger Roundtree and Clifford Bradley, young Bounds was telling a television audience, "Coach Bazemore is the greatest. He's something you never want to turn loose. To think this is the last time I'll play for him makes it a sad night despite such a great victory."

Rome and Stanaland echoed Bounds' feeling for their coach. "He's the fairest man I've ever known. He makes you toe the line, but it's that same line he'd make his own son toe," said Rome.

"WE never have personal problems by ourselves," said Stanaland. "If anything bothers one of us Wildcats, it bothers Coach Bazemore too. Sometimes you wonder how a man can know what's going on so well. There'll never be another like him."

Saturday night Valdosta ripped Avondale, 62-12, as the Wildcats collected 331 yards on the ground and another 288 in the air for an offensive total of 619 yards.

But the Wildcat offense had to be great as the defense, which had been chided off and on during the season for giving up points (125), limited Avondale's famous Wishbone T to just 35 yards rushing and 131 passing.

BOUNDS HAD a hand in five of Valdosta's touchdowns. He ran for a 10-yard score in the third period and passed to Rome on TDs of nine and 47 yards; passed to Paul Demerssemann for 15 on a tackle eligible maneuver and he combined with Rome and Bradley for a nine-yard peapicker scoring

James Savage, Ronald Daniels, Arthur Massey and a host of others who played important roles in this 13-0 season, will be back.

Greene began playing football at the Valdosta Boys Club, and continued his career through VHS. He won the loyalty award for not missing a single practice in four years, which ended with the Wildcats winning the 1956-57 championships.

An era has come to an end, but its bundle of pleasant memories will stick to Valdosta the rest of the way. And the gentleman who was largely responsible for such memories will live forever in the hearts of his boys, whom he made men.

Robert McCaskill was the Wildcats' No. 1 rusher with 115 yards in seven carries, including touchdown gallops of nine and 31 yards.

Pat O'Neal furnished the other six-pointer from seven yards out while Dick Parker didn't miss one of his nine PAT efforts. In fact, Dick kicked 10. One was nullified because of a penalty and he just moved back five yards and kicked again.

When the school board meets tonight, Charles Greene is expected to get the task of filling Bazemore's shoes. But Greene should be a happy one especially if he remembers (and he will) that the likes of Rome, Roundtree, O'Neal,

VALDOSTA GRID REINS CHANGE

Bazemore Quits; Greene Chosen

By CAREY CAMERON

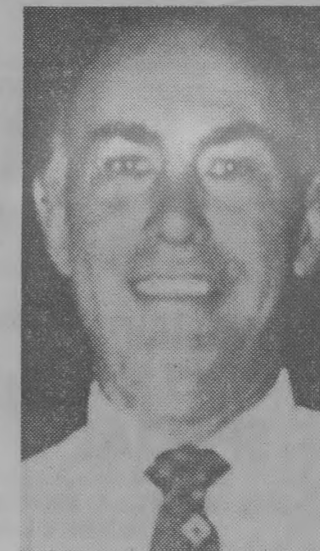
Times-Union Correspondent

VALDOSTA, Ga. — An era in Georgia high school football ended at 8:01 p.m. Tuesday when the Valdosta City School Board accepted the resignation of Coach Wright Bazemore.

Bazemore gave two of his assistant coaches, Charles Greene and Joe Wilson, an equal recommendation and it took the school board another 1½ hours in executive session to name Greene as head football coach and Wilson as head boys' basketball coach without any football responsibility.

BAZEMORE, who retains the position of athletic director, retires after 30 years as head football coach plus a year as assistant coach with a record of 15 state championships, including Saturday night's 62-12 pasting of Avondale.

The soft-spoken Bazemore stood humbly in front of a board which had to move into larger quarters due to an audience which had gathered to hear his decision, and said, "I



Wright Bazemore

came here in 1940. After the first year I told you this was my home and I would never leave. I have never been tempted to leave. I taught five classes, coached five sports, including girls basketball and won championships in everything except girls basketball and track.

"It's been enjoyable but it's now time to hang it up. You know I wanted to quit last year when Curt (his son)

graduated. Thanks to Mr. Mims (new Valdosta High Principal Lloyd Mims) and other principals we have a fine school.

"They have one spirit that's all together and after Saturday night there is no need to worry about the team."

BAZEMORE said he felt that all seven members of his staff could do the job but that he felt Greene and Wilson were a little more deserving than the others. He said that he had coached both of them in grade and high school and that they have called as good plays on Friday night as Bazemore himself.

"Anything I know, they know. I don't think there is any coach around the state in high school that can even come close to these two," Bazemore said.

RETIREMENT AFTER 31 YEARS

Bazemore Reign Over

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sion late Monday afternoon, his home phone has been ringing constantly.

"It's kind of sad," Bazemore said. "I get these calls from people whose kids are just being born and they want me to hang around so they can play for me. It's sad in a way."

The calls have been coming from all over the country, and the news hasn't even been spread good yet. But then, Valdosta football has followers all over the country, people who keep track of the Wildcats from Los Angeles to Chicago to New York to Miami.

BAZEMORE'S amazing career with athletics began in another small South Georgia town, Fitzgerald. And, he started out just like he ended up.

While a student at Fitzgerald High, he earned the maximum number of letters in four sports, but his forte was football. On two occasions he scored 10 touchdowns in a single game, a record that still stands in Georgia prep sports.

He also earned a place in Ripley's Believe It or Not syndicated column.

Bazemore went on to college at Mercer, which at the time was playing football on a par with Georgia Tech, Georgia, Alabama and Auburn. He began coaching at Waycross after he graduated; stayed there two years, then went on to Valdosta.

Bazemore's first year at Valdosta was the school's first state championship. The

dynasty was on its way.

HE COACHED basketball for 15 years and went to the state finals six times. He coached tennis and his players brought home enough trophies to fill several cases. Finally, he settled down to just football, to the delight of basketball coaches and to the dismay of football coaches.

Bazemore has won every possible award a coach can win, at the state and national level. He is the only person ever selected to the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame, both as a player and as a coach, and his teams have finished No. 1 in the country four times.

And now, 31 years, 15 state championships, two state runners-up and hundreds of college players later, it's over.

"The fish and birds down here had better watch out," said Mrs. Bazemore, who met the coach and married him in 1949. Bazemore is also a top-notch hunter and fisherman.

"IT'S GOING to be interesting to have him in the stands with me," Mrs. Bazemore continued. "I've never known him except as a coach. We've never seen a game together. He may squelch my stayle though."

"Somebody asked him if he had his ticket yet, and Bazemore told him he'd be like the old school janitor and just walk on in," she added.

Now, the responsibility for keeping up the reputation is on Bazemore's former player and assistant coach Greene.



VHS Coaches Old, New: Bazemore Clutches His Last Championship Game Football, Talks with Successor Greene

—Times Staff Photo by Robert Winter III

'Cats, Vikes Eye Big Games

HAS BEEN WILL BE

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Wildcats take on former Wildcats, and current Vikings engage in a free-for-all Friday night, as Valdosta and Lowndes High Schools break from the practice field long enough for their traditional spring football games.

Though each school has moved their contests up a errk this spring due to oncoming jamborees, VHS's Has Been-Will Be game and the LHS spring game have lost none of their color.

Featuring the graduating seniors of the 1971 squad pitted against the hordes of underclassmen, the Has Been-Will Be tilt features enough talent to set Cleveland Field on its ear.

Taking the field for the seniors, coached by Billy Grant, Bobby Greene, and Bob Bolton, should be All-American quarterback Stanley Bounds, All-Everything lineman Steve Stanaland, and more than a dozen standouts who helped the 1971 'Cats on their way to the AAA crown and a top-ranking nationally.

Rookie Wildcat head coach Charles Green isn't giving an inch, though, when it comes to his current edition of 'Cats. "We've been working real hard," he said. "The boys have looked good."

Heavy action is slated for a duo of quarterbacks in Green's search for a '72 signal caller to replace the graduating Bounds. Bruce Hilton (160, jr.) and David Demers-seman (170, jr.) have been praised by Green for their spring performances, but the

★ TD Fish Fry Set Tonight

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Touchdown Club is scheduled to open its 1972 season with its annual fish fry here tonight, in preparation for the Has Been-Will Be football game Friday.

Newly elected president George Smith announced the annual dinner meeting is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p. m. in the S. L. Mason school cafeteria.

Charles Green, head coach of the Valdosta High Wildcats, and Billy Grant, Bob Bolton and Bobby Greene, coaches of this year's Has Beens are scheduled to report on the progress of their teams.

Smith said all past and prospective members are invited to the fish fry. Anyone wishing to pay their \$10 dues may do so tonight but he added it was not necessary.

field boss says they still need "lots of work."

Tickets for the 8 p.m. contest are currently being sold by senior and underclass football players, coaches, touchdown club members, and the school itself.

Tickets prices quoted Tuesday for the Has Been-Will Be tilt were incorrect, according to City Athletic Director Wright Bazemore.

Admission costs for the game are to be \$1.50 for adults and \$1 for students.

The prices quoted, \$2.50 for advance reserved seats, \$2 for advance general admission,

and \$1 for advance student tickets, are to be in effect for the March 31 jamboree at Cleveland Field involving Valdosta, Lowndes and Thomasville.

Meanwhile, over at Martin Stadium, head Lowndes coach Noel George will be watching his rising Vikings as they attempt to annihilate each other.

The 8 p.m. tilt should see primarily "the offense against the defense," George said, "but they'll be divided up pretty even."

Foremost in the field boss' mind will be the replacement of an entire backfield lost to

graduation. Gone are Willie Linahan, Jim Williams, Harry Henry, Scott Metts, Stanley Cowart, and Sammy Harris.

George has a couple of junior quarterbacks, however, and he's not trading them for anybody. "Both William Howard (145, jr.) and Harris Patrick (180, jr.) have looked good at times," George lauded, "but they need a world of experience."

The Viking coach said he still hasn't decided whether or not to allow punts in the admission-free tilt or to use an automatic starting point for the offenses.

FINAL PREP POLL

State Champions Reign Supreme

By DAVID DAVIDSON
Atlanta Journal Prep Editor

To no one's surprise, all five of Georgia's high school football playoff winners received unanimous support as the No. 1 team in their respective polls in the final Journal rating of the year.

Valdosta, of course, merely proved what everyone knew already — that it was vastly superior to any other prep team in the state by crushing the No. 1 team from North Georgia, Avondale, 62-12, in the state championship game Saturday.

Warner Robins, which was Valdosta's first playoff victim, finished No. 2 in the Journal poll, the same position it held before the playoffs began. Avondale was third, despite its second-place finish in the state playoffs, Macon Central fourth. Moultrie jumped all the way to fifth with an 8-2 record, primarily because of its show of strength against Valdosta during their regular season game. Henderson finished sixth, Forest Park, the No. 2 team in North Georgia, was seventh, and Laney, Lakeside and Baker rounded out the top ten.

In Class AA, Westminster was No. 1, followed by surprising North Fulton, which won 12 straight games before falling before Westminster, 13-0, in the state championship. West Rome barely edged Lakeshore, 114-112, for third place. First place votes in The Journal Poll carry 20 points, second place 18, third, 16, etc.

Carrollton, a 31-21 winner over Turner Co. in the Class A state title game, maintained its No. 1 ranking, while Turner Co. was a unanimous second place choice on each of the nine panelists' votes.

The 1970 Class A champion,

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Prep Polls

The Atlanta Journal's final Top Ten (Top Three in Class C) prep football polls, with 20 points awarded for first place vote, 18 for second, 16 for third, etc., the team's record, and the number of first place votes in parenthesis:

CLASS AAA	
1. Valdosta 13-0 (9)	180
2. Warner Robins 9-1-2	150
3. Avondale 11-2-1	126
4. Macon Central 9-1	110
5. Moultrie 8-2	74
6. Henderson 9-2	70
7. Forest Park 9-2-1	66
8. Laney 10-2	60
9. Lakeside 9-1	56
10. Baker 9-2	40

Other teams receiving votes, with record and number of points received in parenthesis: Benedictine (9-1, 36), Groves (9-2-1, 16), Clarke Central (8-2, 4), Wayne Co. (9-2, 2).

CLASS AA	
1. Westminster 10-3-1 (9)	180
2. North Fulton 12-1	158
3. West Rome 12-1	114
4. Lakeshore 10-1-1	112
5. Fitzgerald 11-2	92
6. Gainesville 9-2-1	78
7. Russell 9-1	64
8. Thomson 9-3	54
9. Statesboro (9-1)	44
10. Stephens Co. 9-2	38

Other teams receiving votes, with record and number of points received in parenthesis: Marist (7-3-1, 16), St. Pius (6-2-2, 12), Turner (8-3-1, 12), East Rome (9-1, 10), Dykes (8-2, 8), Mary Persons (8-2-1, 8).

CLASS A	
1. Carrollton 12-1 (9)	180
2. Turner Co. 12-1	142
3. Roswell 7-5	110
4. Rockmart 10-1	102
5. Westwood 10-0	98
6. Vidalia 9-2	96
7. Jefferson 9-3	88
8. Putnam Co. 9-3	56
9. Metter 7-2	50
10. Manchester 9-1	46

Other teams receiving votes, with record and number of points received in parenthesis: Bradwell Institute (6-3, 10), Claxton (4-5, 10), Reidsville (2-7, 6), Murray Co. (7-4, 6), Warren Co. (5-5, 4), Irwin Co. (7-3, 2).

CLASS B	
1. Bowdon 11-1 (9)	180
2. Southeast Bulloch 12-1	162
3. Lovett 8-1	116
4. Montgomery Co. 8-2-1	94
5. Macon Co. 10-2	92
6. Greenville 8-2	74
7. Duluth 9-2	62
8. St. Joseph 7-5	48
9. Oconee Co. 9-2	46
10. Liberty Co. 7-2	30

Other teams receiving votes, with records and number of points received in parenthesis: Savannah Central (7-3-1, 14), etc.

WRIGHT BAZEMORE

31-Year Dynasty Is Ended

By JOE LITSCH

The king has abdicated. And there is no crown prince.

Wright Bazemore has resigned as head football coach at Valdosta High School. The 54-year-old coach who made a South Georgia town a national legend is stepping down, and it'll be quite a while before his 290-43-7 record is touched.



Wright Bazemore

Charlie Greene, Bazemore's assistant, was immediately named to follow Bazemore. His duties begin Tuesday and Bazemore moves up to athletic director.

"I wanted to quit last year, but circumstances just didn't work out," Bazemore said.

LAST YEAR would have been the ideal ending to Bazemore's coaching career. It was his 30th year as head coach at Valdosta; it would have been his 15th state championship; it was his son Curt's last year in high school; and he was named National Prep Coach of the Year.

"But, we had some problems down here, and we had just graduated too many boys for me to see some coach come in here and take over and not know how to handle it," Bazemore said. "I just couldn't leave it like that.

"Now, I think our athletic program is on a sound basis, and we're back like we used to be," he went on.

Sound basis? A 62-12 whipping of Avondale in the AAA state championship game last Saturday night is proof enough for anybody that Valdosta athletics are sound. "I wasn't sure that this team would do," Bazemore said.

Bazemore's decision was also dictated by his doctor.

"THEY FOUND a hernia where the esophagus connects to the stomach, but that's under control now," said Mrs. Bazemore. "But, his cardiograms don't look like they ought to.

"He hasn't been able to play tennis, or cut the grass, or do much exercising at all," she added.

Since Bazemore announced his deci-

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Baze Ranks With All-Time Greats

It hardly came as a surprise to anyone when Wright Bazemore asked for and received permission from the Valdosta city school system's board of education to be relieved of his coaching duties.

Baze began talking about the possibility of his stepping down as the Valdosta High Wildcats' head football mentor quite a while back. As long as a year ago the talk grew more serious. In recent days it became general knowledge that this was his final season as the guiding hand behind the famed 'Cats.



GLASSMAN

AAA level since 1960. The latest title came just this past Saturday night when the Wildcats steamrolled Avondale, 62-12.

The honors he has earned at the local, state and national level are almost too many to count. He's been there, he's done it all and he has become a living football legend.

Bazemore's contribution on the football field has been vast. His contribution as a man who has given much of himself to his school, his city and to the many young people who have come under his influence is virtually boundless.

Fortunately his positive influence will continue here since he will carry on with his duties as the athletic director at Valdosta High and of the Valdosta city school systems and one of his long-time aides, Charlie Greene, will become the 'Cats new head coach.

An extremely hard worker and a fierce, but gentlemanly, competition, Baze has asked much from his players and the members of his staff — but has given more of himself.

Praises Staff

"Sure I'm sad about giving up coaching," he said. "But I'm a fortunate man, a very fortunate man who has been associated with many wonderful people. I owe thanks to so many people, especially to all of my players and to the members of my staff.

"As for my staff, it's the best in the country, and that includes college and professional football. Each is a great coach in his own right.

"Team effort is the secret to our success. That team effort includes all our coaches, all our players, our school administrators, band and cheerleaders, our students and all the other wonderful fans here who are led by our Touchdown Club. Valdosta is the greatest place in the world to coach.

"But it's time to quit. The pressure on me, especially in recent years, has become unbearable. I've wanted our players to win so badly because I've known how much it means to them. I may go nuts sitting up there in the stands, but I had to make this decision."

More To Be Said

Team effort has indeed been the key to the 'Cats' success. The leader of that team effort has been Wright Bazemore, one of America's all-time great coaches.

What more is there to be said about the man? Actually a whole lot. And much will be said in his praise at future occasions. The TD Club here and the Georgia High School Associations are just two groups which have already indicated they will honor Bazemore in special ways.

As for the Wildcats' football future, it is in very capable hands. The 'Cats' new grid boss, Charlie Greene, is a dedicated young man with an outstanding knowledge of the game. He grew up here, played in high school under Bazemore and has been a member of his staff for 10 years.

Greene is aware of the football tradition which Bazemore has built. He will, to be sure, do everything within his power to continue that tradition.

They're No. 1 Again

The Valdosta Daily Times, Tues., Nov. 9, 1971 (3)

VHS Marchin' Cats Plan Alumni Group

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Former members of the Valdosta High School Marchin' Cats band hope to form what is believed to be the first band alumni association in the state.

Tommy Sorrells, a former head drummer in the band, is coordinating the effort with Bill Pruett. An organizational meeting is to be held Thursday at 8 p.m. in the VHS band room.

Sorrells said he believes the creation of an alumni association for the Marchin' Cats will be another first in the state by the VHS musicians.

"We thought it was a good thing to do since Valdosta's Marchin' Cats were the first to introduce the new concepts of marching to the high school bands of Georgia and since Valdosta's Marchin' Cats are No. 1 in the state of Georgia," said Sorrells.

He said it seems only natural that the band alumni once again

introduce a new idea to the state as to how former band members can continue their activities with and support of the musicians.

"This goal can be obtained by our successfully forming this Valdosta Marchin' Cats Alumni Association," said Sorrells. He said the initial meeting this week will include the election of officers and discussion on how the group can help the band.

"We all know what the problems of the band are and how hard it is to raise money for the activities. There is a lot of work that goes into having a no. 1 band that only people who have been band members themselves know about.

"We feel like our experience and willingness to still help will be invaluable to the band," said Sorrells.

He said there are about 125 former VHS band members now at Valdosta State College where he is taking graduate courses.

"We know there are plenty more around town who are former members who would like to come to the meeting and join, too. The possibilities of

this group are unlimited," said Sorrells.

VHS band director Frank Butenschon said he is pleased with the idea and thinks it will be a big help to the band and band boosters club.

"It's a bunch of young folks who had something great in high school and who want to feel a part of it again. When you spend three years in a band you get awfully close, we're like a big family, really.

"I think they want to continue seeing each other and helping us at the same time," said

Butenschon.

He said the group plans to send out newsletters to all former band members to keep them up to date on what the band and alumni members are doing.

"There is talk of having a banquet once a year for the alumni. They are still young folks so they won't be contributing a lot of financial support but their moral support and enthusiasm are what we are looking for. I'd like to see this really get off the ground," said Butenschon.



RAYMOND SUTTON JR.
VHS DE Chapter



DANIEL PARKER
Lowndes High Club

DE Groups Here Elect Officers

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Distributive Education Clubs at Valdosta High and Lowndes High schools here have elected officers for the 1971-72 academic year.

There were 11 officers selected at VHS and eight at the Lowndes High club. The presidents were elected last spring at both campuses.

Daniel Parker, a second year DE student who is also state DE parliamentary heads the Lowndes High group while Raymond Sutton Jr. is president of the VHS club.

Students elected to serve at Lowndes with Parker and the offices they hold include Danny Godfrey, son of the Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Godfrey, vice president; Sherry Hammock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mance Hammock, secretary; Steve Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Adams, treasurer.

Etta Horne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pate Horne, reporter; Sheryl Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Boykin, assistant reporter; Judy Rogers, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Tommy D. Rogers, chaplain.

Jean Griffin, daughter of Mrs. Bernice Griffin, parliamentarian; and Ricky Striplin, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Stripling, sergeant - at - arms.

A second year DE student at VHS was elected vice president during balloting on that campus. Ann Watson, daughter of Lillian Watson of 207 Chester St., was among 11 officers picked in voting by the students.

She was a delegate to last year's state DE convention and placed second in the state spelling contest.

Also elected to office were three girls and one boy who are to hold division vice - presidencies.

They are Brenda Ward, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Webb of 27 Loganberry Circle;

Sammie Kent, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Kent of 1121 E. Park Ave.; Beverly Underwood, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Underwood of 1407 Williams St.; and Sherri Teffettler, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Teffettler of 2205 Park Lane.

Club coordinator Norman Greene said this is the first year the club has elected division vice - presidents. It is an effort to have at least one officer from each of the four DE classes in hopes of getting broader participation in club projects, he said.

Debbie Johnston, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Country Johnston of 2314 N. Patterson St., was elected secretary-treasurer. She is a first year DE student.

Another first year student, Ron Butler, the son of Mrs. C. S. Butler of 1505 Slater St., was named club reporter.

Other officers elected and the office they are to fill included Robert Lee (Bobby) Montague, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Montague of 1512 N. Oak St., parliamentarian; H o y c e Webb, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Webb of 37 Loganberry Circle, historian.

Susban Webb, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Webb of 702 Gornto Road, club sweetheart; Carol Reddick, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Reddick of 2312 N. Patterson St., chaplain; and Jay Taylor, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe M. Taylor of 2446 Meadowbrook Drive, sergeant - at - arms.

Letter To The Editor

VHS Bomb Scare Brings School Policy Questions

Sir:

It seems that there is a disturbing and possibly hazardous situation at Valdosta High School.

As already reported, a bomb scare occurred at the school on Thursday, Nov. 4. The gravity of the situation impels us to write this letter.

As you most probably realize, bombings and bomb scares have become a part, although not accepted, of our society. The frequency of such action requires that we be prepared for any emergency. The school, being a public building, is a possible target for this form of dissent. Thus, we must be forever alert.

In the Valdosta Daily Times, Lloyd Mims, principal of VHS, was quoted as saying that an anonymous caller had warned him of a bomb. He was also quoted as saying that there was a definite and prescribed policy for this type of occurrence and that the teachers were informed of this policy.

Mr. Mims was quoted as saying that this policy required the removal of the students from campus. According to the paper, he said that this had been done. Drawing upon this and our experiences and inter-

questions below:

If school policy dictated the removal of the students from campus, why was this not done? If the teachers were aware of this policy, why was this not carried out? If this was in fact a bomb scare and if in fact an anonymous call was received, why was the fire department at the school approximately ten minutes?

Why were the students allowed into the building after this short length of time? If the caller said that the bomb would explode in five minutes, why would you trust one who breaks the law?

Why was there no proper investigation? Why were the students not aware of procedure for a bomb threat? Finally, if a bomb had exploded, what would the result have been?

We feel that the welfare of the teachers and students rests on the answers to these questions. It is our sincere belief that these questions warrant valid and prompt answers.

This letter is not meant to smear anybody but to insure the safety of the inhabitants of the school building. In the event on an explosion we do not want anyone hurt. We are sure the administration can concur with our sentiments.

VHS Student



—Times Staff Photo

Crumpled Warning

Dominic Marconi, a student at Valdosta Junior High School, looks at the broken bicycle belonging to Robert Smith on display in the school lobby. Smith, an eighth grader, was hit by a car Tuesday afternoon on his way home from football practice. He re-

ceived a broken leg in the accident and is hospitalized at Pineview General Hospital. VJHS principal Jim Hunt said the bike is on display at the school as a reminder to students and motorists to show caution on the streets.

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Grid Glimpses

(See stories on pages 6, 7)

Valdosta 49, Crisp 7

Valdosta's Wildcats rolled for 456 yards in total offense as they trimmed the Crisp County Cougars and took over undisputed possession of first place in the Region 1-AAA race.

Lowndes vs Thomasville

Lowndes' Vikings, with a 1-1 record, are to go against the Thomasville Bulldogs, who have an 0-1-1 mark, in Region 1-AAA at 8'clock here tonight at Martin Stadium.

Cook 35, Mitchell 0

Cook's Hornets racked up points in every period as they stung Mitchell County's Eagles.

Madison 20, Ocala-Vanguard 6

Madison's alert Cougars turned three fumble recoveries into touchdowns to open their 1971 campaign with a triumph.

Hamilton 7, Yonge 6


Clevie Selph's on-target PAT kick made the difference as Hamilton County's Trojans opened their season with a victory over P. K. Yonge.

Berrien 0, Worth 0

Each team made a touchdown threat, but neither could quite push the football across the goal line as Berrien's Rebels and Worth's Rams played to a scoreless tie.

Early 45, Clinch 0

Early County's unbeaten Bobcats scored three times in the first period and went on from there to victory over the Clinch County Panthers.



GOOD LUCK

Cats and Vikings

Valdosta vs Crisp Co. - Here

Lowndes vs Thomasville - Here



—Times Staff Photo

Miss Espinosa: She Talks Up the Annual Governor's Honors Program in Georgia

Miss Espinosa Is In Merit Contest

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A pretty burnette, who says her hobby is talking up the Governor's Honors Program for gifted students, is a semifinalist in the 1971-72 National Merit Scholarship Program.

Margaret Espinosa, a senior at Valdosta High School, is the only student from that campus to be named a semifinalist in this year's competition.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Purdy Espinosa of 2406 Berkeley Drive, she is now competing for one of the 3,000 Merit Scholarships to be awarded this spring.

The semi-finalists were the highest scorers in their states on the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test given last February to about 655,000 students across the country.

A native of Biloxi, Miss., Miss Espinosa has lived here with her family since 1965. She is secretary of the Future

(14) The Valdosta Daily Times, Sat., Sept. 18, 1971

Young Ideas...

Teachers of America, a member of the Beta Club and the yearbook staff at VHS.

She attended the annual Governor's Honors Program at Wesleyan College at Macon this summer and studied math. About 400 of the state's brightest students are selected to participate in the program each summer.

Miss Espinosa said she learned to program a computer at the eight weeks session.

"But the really great part was meeting all the other kids. I loved it and got a lot out of the program. I guess talking up that program and trying to convince other kids

to try for it has turned into my hobby," she said.

And when she isn't talking Governor's Honors, she is maintaining her A average in school and taking care of her pets at home. She has a dog, two cats and an aquarium.

"I try to do all my homework and study a little everyday but I still have to study or cram for my tests. I have two or three teachers who like to throw little things in the tests that we didn't cover in class.

"I've had good teachers and I can't complain. They've all been fair," said Miss Espinosa.

Carmichael Receives A Scholarship

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A former editor of Valdosta High School yearbook, Billy Carmichael has been awarded a scholarship by Phi Kappa Phi honor society at the University of Georgia at Athens.

The son of Capt. and Mrs. George W. Carmichael of 2420 Meadowbrook Drive, he is a rising sophomore at the university. Carmichael finished his freshman year with a perfect 4.0 scholastic average.

The scholarships are awarded annually by the society to those freshmen who compile the highest academic averages in their class.

Carmichael has also been tapped for membership in Phi Eta Sigma, national honor society for freshmen men and Sigma Pi social fraternity.

He was an honor graduate of VHS in 1970. During his senior year at the school he was editor of the yearbook which won a special excellence rating from the National School Yearbook Association.

The annual was cited for having superior quality in photographic coverage and division pages.

Carmichael plans to tour Europe next summer and visit the little village of Couvonges in the Meuse Valley of France where he lived with his family for four years.

David H. Watkins of Valdosta has received the bachelor of science degree in business administration from Ohio State University in Columbus.

Valdosta, Crisp Plan Air Attacks

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A lot of aerial fireworks are expected when Valdosta's Wildcats clash with Crisp County's Cougars in an important Region 1-AAA high school football battle here tonight.

Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach Tom Avert's Cougars from Cordele will be dueling for undisputed possession of first place in the league. They now share the top spot with identical 2-0 records.

The game, which is set for 8 p.m. at Cleveland Field, will offer an individual duel between two of the best prep passers in the state, Valdosta's Stanley Bounds and Crisp's Danny Blizzard.

In two games Bounds has hit on 17 of 37 tosses for 359 yards, while Blizzard has connected on 19 of 37 passes for 316 yards. They stand one-two on the individual passing list for Region 1-AAA.

While the 'Dosta-Crisp encounter is the headline attraction, there will be a lot of other games tonight involving area teams.

Berrien (Nashville, Ga.) will be at Worth County (Sylvester), Mitchell County (Camilla) at Cook (Adel), Clinch County (Homerville) at Early County (Blakely), Ocala Vanguard at Madison, Fla., and P.K. Yonge (Gainesville, Fla.) at Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.).

One area team, Brooks County, has an open date this week. Lowndes' Vikings won't see action until Saturday night when they host Thomasville's Bulldogs.

Berrien's Rebels (1-1) will be trying to bounce back against Worth. The Rebs dropped a 6-0 decision to Irwin County last week.

Cook, after two hard-luck losses, will be trying to break into the win column against a Mitchell team which also has an 0-2 chart.

Clinch's Panthers (0-1) will be the underdogs against the Early Bobcats, who have notched a pair of impressive wins. Madison and Hamilton will be opening their 1971 seasons.

Standings of regions which have area teams as members follow:

1-AAA		
	Record	Points
Valdosta	2-0-0	96-7
Crisp County	2-0-0	35-9
Albany	1-0-0	43-8
Moultrie	1-0-0	23-6
Dougherty	1-1-0	14-53
Lowndes	1-1-0	26-39
Monroe	1-1-0	40-7
Thomasville	0-1-1	7-56
Tift	0-1-1	13-28
Westover	0-1-0	8-43
Bainbridge	0-1-0	3-14
Central	0-2-0	6-54
1-AA (East)		
	Region	Overall
Camden Co.	0-0-0	1-0-0
Jeff Davis	0-0-0	1-0-0
Fitzgerald	0-0-0	1-0-0
Berrien	0-0-0	1-1-0
Ware Co.	0-0-0	1-1-0
Appling	0-0-0	1-1-0
Cook	0-0-0	0-2-0
1-AA (West)		
	Region	Overall
Early County	0-0-0	2-0-0
Brooks County	0-0-0	2-0-0
Cairo	0-0-0	1-0-0
Americus	0-0-0	1-1-0
Worth County	0-0-0	1-1-0
Mitchell Co.	0-0-0	0-2-0
2-B		
	Region	Overall
Brantley Co.	1-0-0	2-0-0
Aikinson Co.	1-1-0	1-1-0
Patterson	0-0-0	0-1-0
Charlton Co.	0-0-0	0-2-0
Blackshear	0-0-0	0-3-0
Clinch Co.	0-1-0	0-1-0

VHS Club Selects Officers

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Vocational Industrial Clubs of America chapters at Valdosta High School have elected officers for this year.

Tommy Griffis, a senior, has been selected to head VICA while Harold Conger, a senior, has been named president of the Diversified Cooperative Training Club.

VICA and DCT clubs are composed of students in the DCT program and brick masonry classes on campus.

Other officers of VICA include Allen Catoe, vice president; Rosemary Ross, secretary; Kay Wiggins, treasurer; Marilyn Jones, reporter and Ernie Carter, parliamentarian.

Serving with Conger in the DCT are Robert Morris, vice president; Linda Lissimore, secretary; Carolyn Mitchell, treasurer; Steve Tomlinson, reporter; and Sylvester Moore, historian.

The annual DCT-Distributive Education Club barbeque is to be held Friday night before the VHS - Bainbridge High School football game here.

Barbeque is to be served from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the VHS cafeteria. DE and DCT students are selling tickets for the meal now.

"We'll have about 100 extra plates for those who wait until the night of the game to get a ticket but we can't guarantee those who wait until the last minute a plate," said VICA reporter Marilyn Jones.

Miss Jones said the barbeque can be eaten in the lunchroom or wrapped to go.

Drug Talks Are Scheduled

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The first of October, 130 junior and senior high school students in the Lowndes County school system are to begin visiting individual classes in grades five through nine to conduct a Drug Alert program.

The 130 volunteers are being selected from 520 junior and senior high students who signed up for the Drug Alert program when it was announced the first of the school year, said Dr. John Youmans.

Youmans, health coordinator for the county schools, has been preparing the county Drug Alert program six months.

Student volunteers in the county's drug education program have been in training this month in preparation for working in the elementary and junior high school classes beginning in October.

Valdosta High School counselor Jenny Wisenbaker Tuesday announced VHS is selecting volunteers to conduct a similar drug education program in city elementary and junior high schools.

At the first meeting of volunteers at VHS Wednesday, 244 students signed up to work in the program, said Mrs. Wisenbaker. Both school systems are screening volunteers and some are being eliminated.

VHS is preparing questionnaires to be sent the student volunteers before their training sessions begin.

Youmans said initially there were 200 volunteers from the 700 students at Hahira Junior High, 200 volunteers from the 1,100 students at Lowndes Junior High and 120 students volunteered from the 1,500-member student body at Lowndes High School.

This has been screened to 50 volunteers from each of the junior highs and 60 from LOHI. The final corps of volunteers is to include 40 students from each junior high and 50 from the county high school.

Training sessions for teen counselors, as the volunteers in the county program are called, are held for two hours once a week.

"What we have been concerned with is explaining an overview of the program, what is

expected of them. We have gotten into methodology and are using group dynamics as the key to this thing," said Youmans.

Students have been eliminated from the volunteer core at each meeting for several reasons. "Some students came in just because it was something different. And, others just want to get out of class because they think it's a lark. Some came out of curiosity," said Youmans.

Also, Drug Alert volunteers are required to have an overall "C" average and many students were eliminated because this.

"It will be necessary for them to miss some of the regular classes, so we do not want anyone who is not academically sound. We are giving academic credit for this, but I don't think that's the reason so many volunteered. I think we would have had just as many, otherwise," said Youmans.

He and assistant curriculum director Mary Pinkston and visiting teacher Patricia Morrison are conducting training sessions for the Drug Alert teen counselors.

In October, the teen counselors are to go into individual classrooms in teams of two to begin the preventative drug education presentations.

high teen counselors will work in grades five and six and high school volunteers will make presentations in

seven through nine.

Prior to the teen counselors' monthly visits to the classes, a briefing session is to be held. There is to be an evaluative session following each presentation to the lower grades to help teen counselors solve problems they encounter and to get answers to questions which might arise, said Youmans.

"This is a preventative program," he said. "Mainly what we're trying to do is help the younger students recognize the seriousness in experimenting with drugs that could have some effect on the rest of their life patterns.

"It is very encouraging to see the response that we have had from the students, their dedicated interest in a most serious problem. The key to the whole thing is the fact they're concerned about their own generation."

Youmans said the county school system is using the preventative approach in its Drug Alert project "because we feel any kid already hooked on drugs needs professional help. We do not think our teen counselors are qualified to go in and cope with a student who is already on drugs.

"We prefer that they be re-

operate similar to the county program, said Mrs. Wisenbaker. However, details for the city program have not been worked out.

Both programs are similar to the Dope Stop program in Phoenix, Ariz., which the community drug alert council endorsed for use here.

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To Avoid Disruption

Visitors At VHS Must Get A Pass

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Any visitor who wants to go inside Valdosta High School must enter the front door and get a visitor's pass, according to principal Lloyd Mims.

"We've got close to 1,400 students in a building built for 700 and we've got to have some controls," he explained.

Visitor's passes are available at the front office from the secretary or assistant principal Jack Coffey.

Visitors are welcome anytime, but they are asked to go by the office and get a pass, said Mims.

"We are trying to keep our halls clear and free of congestion. We want to keep a good learning atmosphere on the campus and want to avoid having people who just want to hang around when they really have no business being on the campus," he said.

Visitors at any of the Valdosta schools are asked to check by the principal's office before going into the main part of the facility, according to Supt. Foster Goolsby.

"Our schools are of course open and we welcome visitors and this is just a courtesy to our administrators," he said.

The Times received a complaint from a parent who said her daughter visited VHS and was asked for her pass. When the girl, a former student, said she didn't have one Coffey allegedly told her she would have to have one and that if she didn't, she could expect a police escort out.

Coffey said he has told several former students that if they did not get visitors' passes and still attempted to remain in the building they could expect a police escort out.

"We've had them escort several former students out who refused to cooperate.

We're trying to operate a school here and it makes the job more difficult when people

are hanging around the halls and disrupting the classes," said Coffey.

"Former students and other people are certainly welcome here and we like to see them but we do ask a little cooperation. There were a couple of girls the other day who were graduates and had on short shorts and wanted to get

something from the second floor.

"I told them that in the first place they were improperly attired to be on this campus and that secondly they didn't have a visitor's pass," said Coffey.

When asked if he had the authority to enforce a dress code on non-students in a public fa-

cility, Coffey nodded his head.

"Yes. And if a student is caught on another campus during the school day (8:30 a.m.-3:15 p.m.) he is suspended," said Coffey.

He said the policies governing visitors are not new and that the regulations are important to the smooth operation of the schools here.

SAMMY

Glassman

Times Sports Editor

Valdosta Attack Has Been Rolling

During a chat I had with Valdosta High's head coach Wright Bazemore before the current season began he rather matter-of-factly said he thought the Wildcats "were going to be able to move the football a little."

Then, and this should have been the tipoff, he gave a rather sly grin.

Those who know Bazemore well are aware that he almost never brags about one of his teams before the start of a new season and, being a perfectionist, usually finds little to smile about until after the campaign.

But Baze was aware then what three of Valdosta's 1971 opponents have since found out, the Wildcats can indeed move the football.

This past Friday they chalked up more than 450 yards in total offense as they rolled past the Crisp County Cougars from Cordele, 49-7. In two earlier games they blanked Thomasville, 49-0, and gunned down Dougherty of Albany, 47-7.



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In three outings they've totaled 145 points, which is more than many teams tally in a full 10-game season.

During this torrent of points the fans have been well aware of the backs and pass receivers who have been doing the scoring.

But here's a tip. Next time the Wildcats play watch the blocking in VHS' offensive line. Against Crisp it was certainly a deciding factor and Bazemore said so with emphasis.

Line Play Sharp

The leaders up front include end George Rountree, tackles Paul Demersseman and Wade Johnson, guards Sidney Earnest, David Register, Robert Joseph and Calvin Lester and centers Steve Stanaland and Paul Lore.

Their job is to provide protection for the passer when the 'Cats want to throw and open holes when a running play is called. They have been carrying out both assignments in excellent fashion. When a team's attack moves, then you know the linemen are doing their job.

"We've been able to make both our passing and running game work so far," Bazemore allows. "I thought our backs, receivers and linemen, especially our linemen, did good jobs against Crisp. That certainly doesn't mean they can afford to let up and start coasting. We still have plenty of room for improvement.

"As for defense, that's where we have the least experience and it showed in the first half against Crisp. But there were also some bright spots on defense. Again, we still have plenty of room for improvement."

Right Reaction

One thing Bazemore did find out about the 'Cats last Friday was how they would react to being stung. VHS scored first, then Crisp came right back with a sustained drive of 17 yards for a TD to tie it at 7-7.

The Wildcats' reaction was a scoring march of 93 yards to quickly regain the lead. It was exactly the kind of reaction Bazemore wanted.

Valdosta has now posted three onside wins and believe it or not that brings on a problem. The Wildcats, on an individual basis, must battle against overconfidence.

"Our players must remember that the season is still very young and that we have a lot of tough games to play," Bazemore said. "If we become overconfident, especially this early in the year, we're in for trouble, real trouble."

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Times Sports Editor

Prep Grid Races Still Uncertain

We're now three weeks into the 1971 high school football season, but about all we've learned about the region races in this neck of the woods is that anything may happen between now and title time.

At present coach Wright Bazemore's Valdosta Wildcats are atop the Region 1-AAA standings. The 'Cats are going for their fourth straight crown in this league.



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But 'Dosta still faces the toughest part of its schedule and must play what figure to be several key games on the road. One very serious challenger is Moultrie. The Packers currently own a 2-0 chart.

In the western half of Region 1-AA balance is evident. Early County (Blakely), Cairo and Brooks County (Quitman) have all made it this far without a loss, although none has faced a sub-division foe. And still to be considered is always-tough Americus.

Over in Region 1-AA (East) there's been little league action, but Camden County (Woodbine) has clicked off a pair of impressive wins.

Fitzgerald, as usual, is strong and Ware County (Waycross) has one of its best teams in several seasons. Cook (Adel) has one win in three tries, but is much better than its record might seem to indicate.

Region 2-B is a muddled affair with Brantley County (Nahunta) showing early strength and, for the moment, perhaps the favorite in this league.

As we've already noted, the prep title races in this area are still wide open affairs.

Fast Pace

It remains to be seen if the University of Georgia's sophomore quarterback Andy Johnson can keep up his early pace, but if he does he's going to break some team records.

While leading the Bulldogs past Oregon State and Tulane, Johnson rushed for a total of 239 yards, an average of 119.5 per tilt.

He looks like a sure bet to break Georgia's record for yards gained rushing by a quarterback. The current mark of 507 was set in 1967 by Kirby Moore.

And the way Johnson is going right now he could topple the Bulldogs' all-time season rushing record of 1,103 yards set by Frank Sinkwich in 1941 when he averaged 110.3 per outing.

Johnson might also be headed for Southeastern Conference sophomore-of-the-year honors. Another Bulldog, tailback Ricky Lake, got the nod in that department in 1970.

Bounds Honored

Valdosta High's senior quarterback Stanley Bounds has been rated one of the top-25 prep players in the country by Lettermen magazine.

The magazine, in its September issue, says the list of 25 was selected from nearly 1,000,000 players representing 16,000 high schools.

Those who saw Bounds set new Region 1-AAA passing and total offense records in 1970 and have been on hand to see his three performances so far this year have to agree that the magazine made a wise choice.

Incidentally, Bounds was the only Georgian to land in the top-25.

Two others from our state, however, were in the second or "Special Mention" group. They are Kendrick (Columbus) running back Donald Byrd and Gordan (Decatur) quarterback Ronnie Pearce.

Berrien Leads VJHS Victory

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

THOMASVILLE — Valdosta Junior High's Tomcats teamed up behind the handiwork of Billy Berrien to trample Thomasville Junior High, 18-0, in a football game there Thursday afternoon.

Berrien scored twice, on a 56-yard run and a five-yard run, and tossed a 45-yard pass to Frank Johnson for the final TD. Coach Bill Aldrich's Tomcats scored three more times but all three were called back for penalties.

VJHS is scheduled to take its 1-0 record against the Ware County ninth graders here Sept. 30 in their next game.



City Schools Get Grant

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta Board of Education has been allotted \$67,246 of the \$34,492 federal entitlement for children of federally employed parents.

The announcement of the allotment was made Wednesday by telegram from U. S. Senators David H. Gambrell and Herman E. Talmadge.

The funds, allotted by the U. S. Office of Education, are in lieu of local taxes from which military installations are ex-

empt. Moody Air Force Base is located here.

Board finance director Jack Kent said the system will receive about 80 per cent of the grant. About \$105,000 of the grant has been budgeted by the board.

The board has received this year \$43,000 on the 1970 entitlement.

"They run a little behind sometimes but we won't get the entire grant. We haven't gotten 100 percent in several years," said Kent.

Educators Here Are Honored

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A Lowndes County principal, a retired Valdosta High School teacher and two VHS educators have been named leaders of American education for 1971.

Clyattville Elementary School principal Jack Wade has been named a Leader of American Elementary Education while Mable Wolinnski, Marguerite Ford and Mable Brinson, all of VHS, have been named secondary education leaders.

Mrs. Brinson retired from teaching last June. Mrs. Wolinnski is chairman of the English department and Miss Ford is head of the guidance department at VHS.

The VHS group was nominated earlier this calendar year by former principal Charles (Chuck) Green.

The four were selected for the national recognition on the basis of their professional and civic achievements.

"Leaders of American Secondary Education is an annual program honoring the teachers who distinguished themselves by their service and leadership in the field of education," said VHS principal Lloyd Mims.



JANICE WILSON
Among Top Five

Valdosta Girl Is Finalist

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A Valdosta girl, Janice Wilson, was a finalist in the Tifton Tobacco Queen pageant Saturday night.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wilson, the blonde Valdosta High School graduate was in the top five in the contest held in the Growers' Warehouse.

Cindy Ross of Tifton won the title. She is to be a freshman at Valdosta State College this fall. Susan Branch of Tifton, a former VSC student now a senior at the University of Georgia at Athens, was first runner-up.

Other semi-finalists include Mary Joyce Vickers of Douglas and Betty Rigdon of Tifton. Rose Gibbs of Tifton won the Miss Congelality honor.

The 20 contestants were judged on beauty and poise in swimsuits and evening gown competition.

Miss Wilson, who is to be a freshman at VSC this fall, is 5-6, weighs 118 pounds and measures 36-24-37.

TD Club Meet Set Tonight

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta Touchdown Club has a moving meeting scheduled for 7:30 o'clock here tonight in the general purpose room at Mathis City Auditorium.

Films of last Friday's Valdosta - Dougherty high school football games are to be shown. VHS' Wildcats rolled to a 47-7 victory over the Trojans from Albany.

Valdosta's head coach Wright Bazemore will be on hand to narrate the film and offer comments on the game.

Senior President At VHS Working For Togetherness

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High School students elected their first Negro senior class president Monday morning in an election which bore no resemblance to the racially torn balloting of last fall.

The new president is 18-year-old Michael Simmons, who says he is representing one student body that is neither "black or white but together."

Simmons defeated Stanley Bounds, Wildcat football quarterback, for the top class post in a run-off election.

VHS principal Lloyd Mims told the seniors in the election assembly that both races would be represented in the slate of officers.

"If a black president is elected, a white vice president will be selected. If a white treasurer is elected then the secretary will be black," he said.

Bounds was elected vice president by unanimous vote.

Donna Pitts received an unanimous vote for the post of secretary. Miss Pitts was also nominated for president.

Robert McCaskill, another presidential candidate, was elected treasurer. The Negro fullback received the majority of votes from both races and there was no runoff.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Wil-



MICHAEL SIMMONS
'Good Thing Going'

lie Simmons of 209 Cherry St., the new senior class president is also head of the Chatters Club, a service organization on campus.

"I'd never thought about being president of the Chatters Club or the senior class. This is a big thrill for me and I want to do a good job and represent the school well," said Sim-

mons.

He said there are still some students who think in terms of color and not just students on campus but that the feeling is not as strong as it has been in the past.

"Things are so much different this year. The rules are fair and okay and people want to get along. I think we can all come together this year. I know I want to help bring us closer together. I think Mr. Mims has made a big difference here and we want to work together," said Simmons.

Mims was obviously pleased with the way the first of the class elections went Monday. The junior class elections were set for this morning while the sophomore elections are to be held Wednesday.

"This was real fine this morning (Monday). We've got a good thing going here and we're going to keep it," he said.

He cautioned the students before the election about thinking in terms of color and block voting.

"I know we'll have some block voting but I feel that one day I'll be able to see a student body here vote for a student and not color," said the principal.

There was block voting but about 60 whites voted for Negro candidates. It was the white vote that put Simmons in office.

Mims congratulated the students on the "fine show of unity this year especially at the pep rallies.

"You are to be commended for your actions. My door has been open to you and will always be open to any and all of you. There are some things you have to go along with that some of you might not particularly like but I have to do things, too, if I want to keep my job. That is living in society, ladies and gentlemen," he said.

Last year's elections were tense and racially split. There had been dissention on every aspect of the 1970 balloting at VHS.

Sigma Delta Members Pick Up Trash For New Project

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A group of high school age girls are picking up trash and loving it.

The girls, all members of the Sigma Delta Theta Junior Cotillion Club, spent Sunday afternoon cleaning up Pendleton Park and Brookwood Park.

And the trash pick up was so much fun the club plans it about once a month said president Judie Tillman.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Tillman, she said the 40 members rode their bicycles to the designated areas and used large plastic trash sacks to put the debris in.

The trash pickup is part of a community service program the club has adopted this year.

"We've always been a social club but we want to get involved and do something for the community and to help others," said Miss Tillman.

The club plans to visit patients in local nursing homes and entertain youngster on the pediatrics floor at Pineview General Hospital.

New members this year include Pam Bazemore, Char-



JUDIE TILLMAN
Involvement

lotte Blanton, Susan DeGange, Susan Gish, Sara Bartholomew, Jane Hunter.

Nancy Johnson, Cindy Kilgore, Debbie Mock, Patti Norris, Karen Puckett, Mary Anna Smith, Mary Ann Stephenson.

Debbie Taylor, Angela Walker, Candy Warsley, Cile Maxwell, Barbara Mullis and Rebecca Blackburn.



—Times Staff Photo

Presidents: Rome and Miss Bell Want the VHS Spirit Trophy for Their Class

Officers Elected

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

White students at Valdosta High School swung the class elections two more times this week as Negroes were picked to lead them during the 1971-72 academic year.

Stanford Rome, 15, was selected president of the sophomore class while Susie Bell, 17, was chosen president of the junior class.

Michael Simmons, a Negro, was elected senior class president Monday when about 60 white students added their support to the Negro block vote.

Rome had about 95 white students to vote for him while Miss Bell received about 50 votes from her white counterparts. The white students are in a majority in all three classes at VHS.

Rome and Miss Bell believe that Negro students will now begin to vote for a candidate without considering skin color.

"I know a lot of the students. I've been with them since junior high and they know me. I've played ball with the boys and I've made some good white friends. I'm

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Young Ideas...

interested in one school, one class and bringing us all together," said Rome.

The son of Roberts Rome and Sammy Sirmans of Valdosta, he is an end for the VHS Wildcat football team. He is also on the basketball and track teams and a member of the Chatters Club.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bell Sr., the new junior class president is a member of the Student Council and Foreign Language Club.

"I think it is important to get the prejudices out of people. I think this is happening here now. I think I can do a good job as president and I feel I'll have the cooperation of all the students.

We have a big job as juniors and a lot of responsibility to make this a good school with a lot of spirit," said Miss Bell.

Both class presidents want to win the VHS Spirit Trophy which was claimed by the seniors last year.

"We're going to work to get that trophy. We've got the spirit," said Rome.

"So do we and we are going to be the ones to have that trophy. Just wait and see," said Miss Bell.

Elected to serve with Miss Bell are Eden Beck, vice president; Pam Maturi, secretary, and Bernard Morehead, treasurer.

Other sophomore class officers are Dub Franklin, vice president; Robert Daniels, secretary, and David Demersaman, treasurer.

Bazemore TV Special Is Set for Tuesday

The Times-Union Bureau
VALDOSTA, Ga. — Valdosta's ultra successful high school football coach, Wright Bazemore, will be the subject of a television special next Tuesday night.

Bazemore will be featured in a special 30-minute program beginning at 10:30 a.m. on Channel 6 which has studios in Tallahassee and Thomasville.

Don Meiklejohn, executive director for news and public affairs of Channel 6, said, "Basically we are trying to tell the story of Bazemore and take him and show him as a person."

The program entitled, "Mr.

Bazemore," will include film of Valdosta ball games, crowds, bands and locker room activities. There will be interviews with Bazemore, locker room interviews and quotes from people who have worked with the veteran coach.

Meiklejohn said Bazemore was asked whether or not he plans to retire in the interview but the television executive declined to reveal the answer pending the showing of the program.

Bazemore came to Valdosta in the early 1940s and after one year assumed the duties of head coach. With the exception of time out for mili-

tary service he has coached at Valdosta High ever since, compiling an outstanding record in Georgia high school circles and winning state championships in every classification in which he played as the school grew larger.

Finally reaching AAA classification in the late 1950s, Bazemore teams virtually dominated the state's largest classification through the entire decade of the 60s. He followed this up with an undefeated regular season team in 1970 which lost in the second round of the playoff. His current edition of the Valdosta Wildcats is undefeated and is ranked No. 1 in the state.

HOW TOP TENS FARED

CLASS AAA

1. Valdosta (5-0) df. Albany, 41-8; 2. Macon Central (5-0) df. Northeast Macon, 35-0; 3. Warner Robins (5-0) df. Columbus, 21-0; 4. Kendrick (4-1) lost to Hardaway, 6-3; 5. Benedictine (5-0) df. ompkins, 13-0; 6. Moultrie (4-0) df. Monroe-Albany, 34-14; 7. Henderson (3-0) did not play; 8. Lakeside (3-1) df. Chamblee, 20-7; 9. Richmond Academy (2-2) lost to Laney, 31-7; 10. Baker (5-0) df. Phenix City, Ala., 21-7.

CLASS AA

1. West Rome (4-0) df. Cass, 44-6; 2. Dykes (5-0) df. Northside-Atlanta, 29-6; 3. North Fulton (4-0) df. Southwest-Atlanta, 21-14; 4. Statesboro (4-0) df. Waynesboro, 21-14; 5. Lakeshore (4-0) df. Troup, 13-6; 6. Westminster (2-1-1) lost to Rossville, 19-12; 7. (tie) St. Pius X (3-1-1) lost to Gainesville, 35-7; and Southwest DeKalb (4-1) lost to Marist, 15-0; 9. East Rome (5-0) df. Paulding Co., 27-7; 10. Cairo (4-0) df. Mitchell Co., 44-0.

CLASS A

1. Carrollton (4-0) df. Central-Carroll-

ton, 29-14; 2. Metter (4-0) df. Bacon Co., 47-0; 3. Jefferson (4-0) df. North Hall, 41-13; 4. Turner Co. (5-0) df. Blackshear, 43-0; 5. Rockmart (5-0) df. McEachern, 17-6; 6. McEachern (3-2) lost to Rockmart, 17-6; 7. Manchester (4-0) df. Villa Rica, 49-0; 8. Pickens Co. (4-2) df. Gilmer, 27-0; 9. Putnam Co. (4-2) lost to Perry, 22-7; 10. Bradwell Institute (3-1) df. Jenkins Co., 55-8.

CLASS B

1. Lovett (5-0) df. Lumpkin Co., 46-3; 2. Southeast Bulloch (5-0) df. Emanuel Co. Institute, 41-0; 3. Glennville (5-0) df. Wrens, 57-20; 4. Savannah Country Day (3-1) df. Wadley, 33-12; 5. Bowdon (4-0-1) tied Haralson Co., 0-0; 6. Dade Co. (4-0-1) df. Gordon Lee, 35-0; 7. Brantley Co. (5-0) df. Telfair Co., 24-6; 8. Eastbrook (4-1) df. Armuchee, 22-20; 9. Montgomery Co. (4-0) df. Wheeler Co., 47-6; 10. Central-Carrollton (2-2) lost to Carrollton, 29-14.

CLASS C

1. Mt. de Sales (3-0) did not play; 2. Adairsville (4-1) df. Valley Point, 40-0; 3. Logansville (1-0-1) did not play.

49-0 win over Villa Rica. —Valdosta's Stan Bounds scored three times and passed to sophomore wide receiver Stanford Rome for 31 and 70-yard scoring bombs on the way to completing 11 of 20 passes to lead a 41-8 win over Albany.

—Dykes' quarterback Dick Dowis ran for two touchdowns and passed for scores cover-

ing 25 and 42 yards in a 29-6 win over previously unbeaten Northside-Atlanta.

The winner—Runt Moon of Commerce.

Coach of the week is Hardaway High's Sammy Howard, who guided his Hawks to a 6-3 upset over Kendrick, ranked No. 4 in the latest Journal Class AAA Top Ten Poll, last Thursday.

Valdosta's Bounds May Hit 100 Points

By BOB PRICE

Times-Union Sports Writer

Valdosta has been without a 100-point scorer since 192 when Giles Smith scored 116, but Stanley Bounds appears on the road with 66 and five games to go.

Bounds has 11 touchdowns to his credit, just three shy of what Smith tallied in 1962, but Smith picked up 32 extra points, something Bounds hasn't added to his repertoire as yet.

Valdosta's slick 1972 signal caller has scored three touchdowns each in the Thomasville, Crisp County and Albany games and added single six-pointers in the Dougherty and Bainbridge.

MOST AMAZING thing about Bounds' feat is that the Wildcats' No. 2 quarterback — Dick Parker — has scored 37 points off two touchdowns and 25 extra points. With Parker also owning a hot hand, along with Stanford Rome (44 points), and Robert Daniels (24) it means Bounds seldom plays more than three quarters in a game and most of the time only a half.

Last year as a junior, Bounds scored seven touchdowns for the Wildcats as he scored six points against Crisp, Albany, Moultrie and Monroe and then added three touchdowns in the Westover game.

Bounds won't be able to duplicate Smith's two-year reign of 1-AAA scorers. Smith led the circuit as a junior with 110 points off 12 touchdowns and 38 conversions.

Valdosta furnished 1-AAA's

leading scorer in 1965 when Glenn Davis had 84 points and again in 1968 when Larry Howell duplicated Davis' figures.

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VALDOSTA is running away in the offensive race, having scored 214 points in five games for a 42.80 average. And the Wildcats are just as tough on defense, having held the five foes to 22 points for a 4.40 average.

As usual around this time of the year, Valdosta has a week off. The Wildcats' next opposition will be Moultrie on Oct. 15, and game site will be

Cleveland Field in Valdosta.

Moultrie, which took its week's rest at beginning of the season, will be shooting for its fourth straight win Friday with a home date against Central of Thomasville.

The Packers of Coach Bud Willis have scored 120 points against the opposition's 87. And the Packers are rapidly becoming the comeback kids. Three of the four wins came after the opposition had taken the lead. Last Friday, Monroe ran the opening kickoff back for six points and added a two point conversion.

Emergency Assistance

Area Schools Get Grants

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The U. S. Office of Education has awarded grants to three area school districts to aid in desegregation.

The allotments, made from the Emergency School Assistance Program Funds (ESAPF) have been allocated for Valdosta, Lowndes County and Cook County.

Lowndes County is to receive \$57,345, Valdosta \$49,800 and Cook County \$35,000.

The grants are part of the \$11,601,632 appropriated to 109 school systems in 15 states.

The Lowndes County Board of Education plans to use its money for six additional teachers and teacher aides to work in the Individually Prescribed Instruction Program (IPI) now in its second year of operation at all the system's elementary plants.

The Valdosta Board of Education has decided to use its allotment to make preparations for going into the new \$4.5 million comprehensive Valdosta High School expected to be completed next fall.

Federal funds coordinator for the city school system, M. E. Nichols, said teachers will be paid to work overtime at the rate of \$4 an hour to make the necessary plans.

"We'll be bringing in consultants to help us with this. Next year we'll be going on the quarter system, have team teaching and teach in a semi-open space arrangement. All this has to be planned for," said Nichols.

Some of the money is to also be used at West Gordon Elementary School here for Valdosta State College consultants. Nichols said the VSC consultants are to help teachers recognize and correct reading difficulties.

This is the first time Valdosta schools have received the emergency funds. The board was to have received about \$88,000 in the 1970-71 school year but never did, said Nichols.

The board was put under a federal court order last year

to carry out its desegregation plans. Health, Education and Welfare officials contended the board was not eligible for the funds last fall because it was not in compliance with desegregation guidelines.

Cook County school Supt. Ed Leichner said his system's \$35,000 will go towards hiring additional teachers aides and consultants from Georgia State University at Atlanta.

The consultants are to work with Cook County teachers in establishing learning centers in math and reading at Adel Elementary, North Elementary and Cook Junior High schools.

"The centers will be for the students that for some reason aren't performing up to grade level. They will be tested and then each diagnosed as to which skills they are weaker and then prescribed for," said Leichner.

Football Tickets

Revenue Rises Despite Freeze

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta and Lowndes high schools are apparently taking more money this year per football game than in the past in spite of a price freeze on tickets to sporting events throughout the nation.

James Cooper, head of the Lowndes High School athletic department, indicated the increase in revenue came about at LHS as a result of a 25-cent increase on tickets sold at the gate.

"The increase was necessary because we just could not make it on what we had charged in the past," said Cooper. "Another reason is that almost all the other schools in AAA charge \$2 at the gate and we felt like this would be more in line with the rest of the region."

Tickets sold at the gates of Martin Stadium last season were \$1.75.

Valdosta High School increased its revenue this year by changing the type of seats available. In the past, \$2 reserved seats were limited to certain portions of Cleveland Field. But this year all the seats along the sidelines were changed to reserved seats thereby allowing the school to charge \$2 per seat instead of the \$1 charged last season for unreserved seats.

According to a spokesman at the Valdosta Schools superintendent's office, receipts for the

first two home games exceeded the past season's receipts under the new seating arrangement.

"As you see there was no increase in prices, only a change in the seating arrangement," said the spokesman.

Office of Emergency Planning Director for the Southeast region of the United States, William H. Holloway announced that the Cost of Living Council had determined Sept. 9 that the current price freeze affects tickets to all sporting events whether professional, amateur, high school or college.

"We publicly announced at the time of the council's ruling that admission prices for events occurring during the freeze may be no higher than for events occurring during the base period," said Holloway.

Holloway also indicated that where advanced tickets, such as season tickets, have already been sold at increased rates, the sponsor must refund or compensate the patrons for the increase.

Action has already been started against the Atlanta Falcons football club which increased prices of both season tickets and gate tickets.

Coach Cooper said there will have to be an investigation into the Lowndes High School price increases. "I don't think we were aware that the freeze affected us and we will have to look into the matter," he said.

VHS Hallway Incident

City BofE Sets Hearing

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A special open hearing has been scheduled by the Valdosta Board of Education at its regular meeting Tuesday to look into an incident in which a Valdosta High School student allegedly swung at a teacher.

Supt. Foster Goolsby said the girl and her parents have been informed of the meeting and are to be given an opportunity to present their sides.

"If they don't feel they have had adequate time we'll have to have a called meeting on it," Goolsby said. "We have to be fair to everyone about this."

The incident which involved VHS math teacher Mrs. George Saliba and Ouida K. Morrow, a Negro student, happened in the school hallway about 2½ weeks ago, said principal Lloyd Mims.

Mims said Mrs. Saliba told him she had stopped the girl

and talked to her about chewing gum. When Mrs. Saliba touched the girl's arm or shoulder, the student swung at her, Mims said he was told.

The teacher has said the girl hit her, according to Mims, while the student maintains the swing was accidental and she did not strike the teacher.

Since there were no witnesses to the incident, Mims said, he felt it would be in the best interest of both persons involved if they could appear before the school board.

Miss Morrow has been suspended since the incident. Mims said he will recommend she be expelled but pointed out under the board's expulsion policy a student can ask for an appeal and ask to be reinstated.

"It'll be brought up before the school board," said Mrs. Saliba in declining to comment. The student could not be reached.

WILDCATS, 41-8

Valdosta Express Keeps on Rolling

VALDOSTA—Valdosta High's football Wildcats held on to first place in the Region a-AAA title race with a 41-8 victory over the Albany Indians at Albany on Friday night. The victory was the fifth in as many starts for coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcats. The loss leveled Albany's record off at 2-2.

Quarterback Stanley Bounds had a hand in the scoring of five of Valdosta's six touchdowns. He tallied three times himself, on runs of one, five and six yards, and hit sophomore touchdowns passes of 31 and 70 yards. Valdosta's other

score came on a five yard run by halfback James Savage.

For the night Bounds hit on 11 of 20 passes for 228 yards and picked up 64 yards along the ground on 11 carries. Rome made a total of six passes receptions which were good for 157 yards.

Albany's lone touchdown came just before the end of the first half on a 23-yard pass more end Stanford Rome with from quarterback Rich Howard to end Cleo Johnson.

The Wildcats finished with 422 yards (178 rushing and 244 passing) in total offense to 179 for the Indians.

Marchin' Cats To Again Try For 'Greatest Band'

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta High School Marchin' Cats need about \$10,000 to finance invitations to compete in band contests this year, according to VHS Band Booster Club members.

Jud Godwin, ways and means chairman, said the musicians have accepted invitations to compete in the Southeastern States Marching Band Contest at Troy State University in Alabama later this month, the Peach Bown National Band Contest in Atlanta in December and the Greatest Band in Dixie

Contest during Mardi Gras in New Orleans, La., in February.

The boosters are putting out a souvenir band and football magazine to be sold at the homecoming football game, Oct. 29 when VHS plays Westover High School of Albany.

"It will tell the story of our bands and contain current pictures of our Marchin' Cats' lab band, concert band, ninth grade band and seventh and eighth grade band. It will also include stories about our football team and pictures," said Godwin.

Band students and boosters will be soliciting advertisers for the magazine, he said.

COLUMBUS — Valdosta's Stanley Bounds is still out front in the Region 1-AAA high school passing derby, while Monroe's John Jackson continues to top the rushing chart.

For the fifth consecutive week Bounds has the passing lead. The Wildcats' senior signal caller has hit on 46 of 87 tosses for 909 yards.

Jackson is the league's leading rusher for the fourth week in a row. He's picked up 424 yards on 72 carries. Second in this department is Lowndes' Stan Coward with a 63-375 chart.

Department leaders, plus figures on other Valdosta and

Lowndes players, are as follows:

Rushing		
	Car.	Net Yds.
1. Jackson, Monroe	72	424
2. Cowart, Lowndes	63	375
3. Warren, Thomasville	54	336
4. Bryant, Tift	54	320
5. Green, Dougherty	60	285
6. Carmichael, Tift	56	278
7. Bounds, Valdosta	36	261
8. Howard, Bainbridge	51	262
9. Harris, Lowndes	46	242
10. Lamar, Moultrie	40	228
12. Linahan, Lowndes	24	208
20. O'Neal, Valdosta	28	138
22. Daniels, Valdosta	27	137
25. Morrison, Valdosta	18	121
29. Williams, Lowndes	27	108
32. McCaskill, Valdosta	21	100
40. Savage, Valdosta	13	85
43. Mettis, Lowndes	30	69
49. Parker, Valdosta	8	50
54. Burgman, Lowndes	10	24
62. Thomas, Lowndes	17	11
65. Whitfield, Valdosta	9	4

Passing		
	Att.	Comp. Gain
1. Bounds, Valdosta	87	46 909
2. Blizzard, Crisp	114	50 696
3. Goff, Moultrie	57	26 424
4. Howard, Albany	62	25 397
5. Linahan, Lowndes	44	18 269
10. Parker, Valdosta	11	6 133
18. Thomas, Lowndes	3	2 72

Passing		
	Comp	Yds. Td's
1. Rome, Valdosta	22	530 7
3. Johnson, Albany	17	309 2
3. Phillips, Crisp	10	208 2
4. Dixon, Crisp	14	206 2
5. Daniel, Valdosta	9	191 2
9. Rountree, Valdosta	7	123 1
1. Daniels, Lowndes	4	108 1
6. Savage, Valdosta	5	97 0
4. Cowart, Lowndes	5	66 0
8. Williams, Lowndes	5	55 0
4. Bradley, Valdosta	4	54 0

Intercepted By		
	Ret.	Yds.
1. Humphrey, Dougherty	4	116
2. Parker, Valdosta	3	75
3. Clemons, Lowndes	1	53
4. Calhoun, Westover	2	50
5. Hardin, Albany	1	41
6. Daniels, Valdosta	3	39

Punts		
	Kicks	Avg.
1. Bounds, Valdosta	9	41.00
2. Long, Bainbridge	6	41.00
3. Goff, Moultrie	9	39.00
4. Young, Dougherty	3	38.33
5. Highsmith, Central	29	38.14
12. Barnes, Lowndes	14	30.07

Punt Returns		
	Ret.	Yds.
1. Rome, Valdosta	12	100
2. Madison, Moultrie	1	85
3. Green, Dougherty	3	75
4. Chatrow, Bainbridge	8	72
5. Lamar, Moultrie	3	43
6. Thomas, Lowndes	4	40
11. Richardson, Valdosta	3	20

Kick-Off Returns		
	Ret.	Yds.
1. Dixon, Crisp	11	226
2. Filmore, Thomasville	7	181
3. Jackson, Central	8	142
4. Roberts, Bainbridge	6	117
5. Green, Dougherty	6	104

Scoring		
	Td's	PAT's
Bounds, Valdosta	11	0 66
Jackson, Monroe	6	10 46
Rome, Valdosta	7	2 44
Parker, Valdosta	2	25 37
Deiter, Albany	5	2 32
Cowart, Lowndes	5	0 30
Green, Dougherty	4	0 24
Warren, Thomasville	4	0 24
Daniels, Valdosta	4	0 24
Linahan, Lowndes	3	0 18
Mettis, Lowndes	2	0 12
O'Neal, Valdosta	2	0 12

Decision Delayed On VHS Incident

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta Board of Education expects to make a decision at a special meeting next Tuesday night on the recommendation of a principal that a student be expelled for allegedly hitting a high school teacher about three weeks ago.

Valdosta High School principal Lloyd Mims recommended to the board at its regular meeting Tuesday night that student, Rita Morrow, be expelled for allegedly hitting math teacher Mrs. George Saliba.

The board discussed the incident but agreed not to take any action until the meeting set for 7 p.m. next Tuesday.

Board chairman and attorney Reuben Yancey said if Miss Morrow and her mother, Ethel

Buchanan, and Mrs. Saliba want to call witnesses to testify that the names of those to be heard from must be submitted in writing to Supt. Foster Goolsby by Friday.

The board heard from Mrs. Saliba, Miss Marrow, Mrs. Buchanan, Mims and assistant principal Jack Coffey about the incident.

Mrs. Saliba said the student hit her on the shoulder after she told her to throw away gum she was chewing. The teacher said she touched the girl's sleeve with her fingers and told her to throw it away a second time and the student threw down her books and hit her on the shoulder.

Miss Morrow said she drew back, threw her books down and told Mrs. Saliba to get "her damn hands off me but never hit her."

Mims said teachers in the hall where the confrontation took place were questioned but none reported seeing Miss Morrow hit the instructor.

In other matters:

—The board accepted the low bid of \$7,217 for science equipment for the new Valdosta High School now under construction from College Dale Co. of Tennessee.

—The board also accepted the low bid of \$1,385 for 12 new sewing machines for the home economics class at VHS. The machines are to be charged to the new facility next fall.

—The board said it would take the low bid of \$750 from Morris Music Shop for a piano if one isn't donated.

"If somebody will donate one I'll go out and inspect it. We'd rather wait on this purchase until we get in the new building," said board member Hulyn Smith.

Supt. Goolsby said a piano is needed at VHS if the choral program is to continue this year. The present musical instrument is beyond repair, he said.

Uncollected Band Funds Written Off By City Board

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Uncollected funds from the Valdosta High School band program for two years have been written off by the city board of education with the stipulation the money is obtained for this year's activity.

Board finance director Jack Kent said only \$22 has been collected in two years. The board has a policy which says each VHS band student must pay \$8 in fees a year. Of that figure \$3 is for instrument re-

pair and 5 is for uniform supplies.

Kent said band director Frank Butenschon has been aware of the fee but has not collected the money as instructed by the board.

He said the fees were designated to a special trust fund kept by the principal for extra-curricular activities and were to be spent on the band program.

Board member John Howell recommended fees for the two years which were not collected be written off but that this year the system be straightened out. "Let's get Mr. Butenschon in here at the next meeting and get it straight," said Howell.

Board chairman and attorney Reuben Yancey organized a new committee to act in an advisory capacity to the band similar to the Athletic Association.

Named to the committee were board members J. L. Newbern Jr. and Dr. Robert Quattlebaum, VHS principal Lloyd Mims and director Butenschon. Two members from the VHS Band Booster Club are to be elected by the membership to serve on the committee.

Board member Hulyn Smith asked the committee be appointed to work with the band program.

"It's a big group now and would eliminate a lot of problems, I feel," he said.

Meet On Drugs Slated Sunday Attends School

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A community meeting on the drug problem in Valdosta and what individuals can do to solve it is to be held at Our House Sunday, according to Our House staff member Dan Watkins.

The meeting is to begin at 3 p. m. at the house at 109 W. Park Ave. The open forum, said Watkins, is for students and adults who want to get involved with the house.

"We mostly want Our House to become a place where communication can be established with the youth and adults," he said, "and this is already happening."

Valdosta School Official Coordinates CEC Meeting

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The director of special education in the Valdosta school system is coordinating the fall conference of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) to be held at Jekyll Island Thursday through Saturday.

Liska Wetherington of Valdosta, first vice president of the state CEC, is overall program chairman for the annual meeting. The CEC is an affiliate of the Georgia Association of Educators.

Besides Mrs. Wetherington, six local and one area special education teachers are to give presentations at the meeting.

Mrs. Parker Greene is to discuss new approaches in teaching secondary educable mentally retarded students while Mrs. Gene Folsom is to discuss instruction for pupils in hospitals and at home.

Mrs. Robert Gast is to discuss the organization and operation of a class for pregnant students and Mrs. Charles Hennley is to give a demonstration on home-made materials to use in the trainable retarded children classes. Dr. Margaret Hiers, education professor at Valdosta State College, and Willa Washington of the Brooks County school system are to be on the program with Mrs. Hennly.

Mrs. Wetherington said more than 500 teachers in special education programs throughout the state are expected to attend the conference.



LISKA WETHERINGTON
Coordinating Program

"We'll be discussing new methods for teaching Georgia's nearly 60,000 exceptional children — both the handicapped and gifted pupils — at the meeting. There will be an exchange of ideas which should benefit everyone attending," said Mrs. Wetherington.

The 12 areas of exceptionality will be discussed in concurrent sessions Friday and Saturday mornings, she said.

"Some of the top educators in the field of exceptionality will be at the conference and we've invited some of the legis-

lators to attend some of the sessions," said Mrs. Wetherington.

Dr. Edwin Martin of the Bureau of the Handicapped in Washington, D. C., is to speak at a banquet Thursday night.

Dr. Ernest Siegle, supervisor of education of the physically handicapped for New York City schools and author on special education, is to speak at a luncheon Friday.

Several legislators, including state Sen. Bobby Rowan of Enigma of the senate mental health committee, are to attend a special forum Saturday.

"The idea is to present the entire plan for providing an education for every type of exceptional child, whether he is gifted or mentally handicapped, by 1976," said Mrs. Wetherington.

The plan has been approved by the Legislature but funds have not yet been allocated for the entire program, she said.

"And that's what we are after. The program must be funded and doesn't do us any good without money," said Mrs. Wetherington.

Registration for the conference is from 4 to 6 p.m. Thursday at the Aquarama on Jekyll Island. The Brunswick and Okefenokee chapters of the CEC are hosts.

Dr. Art Alper of the University of Georgia at Athens is state president of the CEC and is to preside over the conference.

New VHS Paving, Water

Work Said An Emergency

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

City and county government officials have agreed with the Valdosta Board of Education that the new \$45 million comprehensive high school now under construction is in an emergency situation and offered to help secure paving funds and speed up application for a federal grant for the water facilities.

Meeting with the school board Tuesday night, members of Mayor - Council and Lowndes County commission pledged their support to the projects.

Board chairman and attorney Reuben Yancey called the work at new Valdosta High School a critical situation and said help is needed immediately if the plant is to open next September as planned.

"We can't afford to open the school in a bunch of mud or without water," said Yancey.

Architect Zeb Lackey of Valdosta, who designed the new building, said water must be available to the contractor at the site by May 1 or even April 1.

"If he doesn't have it when he needs it, you leave yourself open to a request for an extension on the deadline. He has to have water," said Lackey.

The city has made application for a \$126,000 federal grant to finance construction of a 500,000-gallon water tank at the new school.

The grant has not been approved by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and federal officials

also contended last August that it could take up to 18 months for an okay.

Board members and the superintendent have prodded HUD and state school officials to speed up the process but under new regulations the Lowndes County Planning Commission must first certify the project.

C. H. Duncan of the planning commission said everything looks favorable for immediate approval here. After the planning commission puts its certification on the project, city officials can make the final application for the grant.

City engineer Ron Bond said there must be two contracts let for the water work under HUD regulations. The first contract to go out for bids the first of the year will be for the well, tank foundation and water lines, he said.

"The well must be tested and proven before a bid can be taken on the water tank itself. HUD won't have it any other way. They want to be sure there is water before a tank is built," he said.

Bond said that "if the project is approved tomorrow I don't see any way of getting it ready by May 1. We'd be shooting for August or Sept. 1."

Board member I. H. (Bubber) Tillman Jr. asked if the school could tie in with the existing water lines until the HUD project is completed.

Bond said it would be a waste of money because it would not be reimbursable.

The water tank and well is to cost about \$302,000. The HUD grant is to take care of \$126,000, the board is to pay 117,000 and the city's share is 59,000.

The proposed 500,000-gallon structure requires a well facility and 3,000 feet of 12-inch water main. The projected cost of the well is 112,000, the elevated tank \$117,000, and the water main \$22,000. There is about 50,000 budgeted for surveys and other items.

The 60-acre tract of land at

Forrest Street and the Highland Heights intersection was taken into the city limits by Mayor-Council after the board agreed to provide its own water facilities for the new plant.

The water lines leading to the site are sufficient for the school needs but not for fire protection or the growth in the area that has sprouted since the new VHS was begun.

Mayor Aubrey Stump said every effort should be made to get the HUD grant approved as quickly as possible.

Stump was also in favor of putting the paving needs at the school as a top priority here.

Lowndes County commission chairman W. P. (Billy) Langdale and commissioner Perry Fields also thought the high school paving should be the top effort here.

Supt. Foster Goolsby told the group that Lowndes County Rep. Jim Bennett had informed him of some state highway funds which could possibly be used on the estimated \$250,000 local project.

Bennett suggested the board, Mayor - Council and commissioners adopt resolutions supporting the paving need and take them to Atlanta for a meeting with highway officials, said Goolsby.

"Mr. Bennett said the funds would not be skimmed off the top of the city and county's paving share. Valdosta State College's parking lot was paved in the same manner, we understand," he said.

County manager Don Brazeal said the funds are probably some which are held back every year and aren't yet committed.

Stump said he'll call a special meeting of the council to adopt the resolution and make the trip to Atlanta. "Let's get on up there and talk to them about it," he said.

Councilman W. O. (Bill) Bassford said he personally favors getting the school yard paved but he wants to know if the city has to forsake any prior commitment to get the state funds.

Langdale suggested the city and county agree on a joint priority paving list for the state and put the high school project as its top need.

"I favor deleting future work until we can get this paving at the school done. I think this is top priority. Jim (Rep. Bennett) may surprise me but I don't think so where these highway funds are concerned. I just don't know about any emergency funds in a barrel up there," Langdale said.

"The governor has about \$1 million emergency funds that \$4 to 5 million of is usually spent every year. We could also allocate some money this

this year for the project and some next year and pay for the paving that way. I'm sure Burt Lance (state highway department director) would be in favor of taking some from our share for the work. I wouldn't oppose that because I consider this an emergency," he said.

He said it won't take the commissioners long to act on the resolution once it is drawn up.

The board wants to take the resolutions up to Lance next week.

Valdosta's Rebuilding Plan Tops Out Early

By BILL SKUTT
Constitution Prep Editor

Valdosta Coach Wright Bazemore won't compare this year's Wildcat line to any of his past teams, but he does say there aren't many college prospects on it.

There are two, he said, but they are the only seniors on the line. The others are sophomores and juniors.

"Steve Stanland is the finest offensive center in the country, and Paul DeMereseeman is a fine tackle, but we'll have the rest of our linemen back," Bazemore said.

"We've been losing all but two or three of our players for the past three years. But this year we are starting seven underclassmen on offense and seven on defense."

Bazemore's young players will face the stiffest competition of the season Friday night when they host Moultrie, the only other undefeated team in Region 1-AAA. But like the Wildcats, Moultrie is also a young team.

"They are like us, they are rebuilding," said Bazemore. "But their boys have come along faster than expected and we are going to have to get out there and play football to beat them."

This game has been crucial for the last few seasons. Like this season, both teams have entered the game with perfect records knowing that the winner would take the inside track to a region title.

"They are a tough well-rounded, well-coached team," Bazemore said, characterizing the Packers the way everyone has for years. "They have a good passing attack and a good running attack. They aren't real big but they have a lot of 200-pounders who are real quick," Bazemore continued.

Last year the Wildcats won the game, 19-12, and went on to a region title. But then both teams were playing with seniors and youth could make a difference in Friday night's encounter.

All-American candidate, Stanley Bounds is the leader on offense, but the signal caller is the only senior in the starting backfield. Vaunted

split end Stanford Rome, who is starting for the second season, is just a sophomore and the rest of the offensive backfield is made up of juniors.

"You can't compare lines or rank them, because you just don't know. But this is a fine line, and they have done a good job, especially when you consider its lack of experience," Bazemore said.

And he says several of the underclassmen are potential college prospects. Says Bazemore, "David Register, a junior guard is going to be a college prospect and so is Wade Johnson (a junior tackle).

"On defense, Roland Daniels (a junior linebacker) is going to be a good college prospect and I've got a Rowe boy (Gary, also a junior) who everybody is going to be after.

Student Expelled In VHS Incident

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta Board of Education has agreed to expel a student for allegedly hitting a school teacher about three weeks ago.

Meeting in special session Tuesday night, the board expelled the student, Rita Morrow, on the recommendation of VHS principal Lloyd Mims.

Miss Morrow and her mother Ethel Buchanan did not appear at the meeting which got underway at 7 p.m. The two arrived at 7:30 p.m. after the decision had been made even though they were notified to be present at 7 p.m., according to board chairman Reuben Yancey.

Miss Morrow can appeal the decision to the State Board of Education, said Yancey.

The 10th grade VHS student, described as a quite girl by her mother and classmates, was expelled for allegedly striking

math teacher Mrs. George Saliba. There were no witnesses who testified to actually seeing the student hit the teacher.

The case was discussed for about an hour at a meeting last week and the board delayed making a decision until Tuesday night. Mrs. Saliba and Miss Morrow were told they could have witnesses testify at the hearing if they wanted.

Because the student was not present, the board acted without further discussion from the school administration and others involved in the incident.

Mrs. Saliba said at last week's meeting the student hit her on the shoulder after she told her to throw away gum she was chewing. The teacher said she touched the girl's sleeve with her fingers and told her to throw it away a second time and then threw down her books and hit her on the shoulder.

Miss Morrow said at the meeting that she drew her arm back, threw her books down and told Mrs. Saliba to get "her damn hands off me but I never hit her."

Miss Morrow said she had already taken the gum out of her mouth when the teacher grabbed her clothes and pulled her around.

Teachers in the hall where the confrontation took place were questioned but none reported seeing Miss Morrow hit the instructor, said Mims. He told the board students in the hall were not questioned about the incident.

Exterminator Attends Meet

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A Valdosta pest control specialist, Lamar Culbreth, has returned from the 38th annual convention of the National Pest Control Association in Boston, Mass.

Culbreth, president of Astro Exterminating Co., attended the five-day convention held Oct. 10-14 at the Statler - Hilton Hotel in Boston. Six clinics and six panel sessions on major problems of the pest control industry were held.

DE Officers At Annual State Meet

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High and Lowndes High schools are represented at the annual state Officers Training Conference for the Distributive Clubs of America at Macon this weekend.

Lowndes High's Daniel Parker, chapter president and state parliamentarian, and VHS' Jolynn Johnston, state secretary, left Friday for executive meetings.

Other local students and club coordinators are to leave Sunday and return with Parker and Miss Johnston Monday night.

Representing VHS at the conference will be Raymond Sutton, president; Ronald Butler, reporter, and Bobby Montague, parliamentarian, said DE coordinator Norman Greene.

Attending from Lowndes High will be Steve Adams, treasurer; Etta Horne, reporter, and Sherry Hommock, secretary, said coordinator Phil Waldron.



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VJHS Cheerleaders

These seven girls have been chosen to lead the cheers at the Valdosta Junior High School football games. On the squad this year are left to right,

Kathy Moore, Elizabeth Cottle, Terri Moore, Jamie Moore, June Bennett, Debbie Wiggs and Pat Shepard.

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Salary Scale For Library Employees Is A First Here

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The first salary scale for employees of South Georgia Regional Library has been presented to the board for its consideration by acting director Rod-delle Folsom.

The salary scale has monthly pays which range from \$260 to \$600, depending on the employee's education, experience and length of employment.

Beginning salaries range from \$260 per month for a person with just a grammar school education to \$400 a month for an employe with five years of college plus library science courses or experience.

The bulk of the salaries on the scale prepared by Mrs. Folsom fall in the \$300-\$400 range, none hitting \$500 until 10 years of employment.

"We have had no system for setting salaries before," Mrs. Folsom told the board at its meeting Tuesday.

If adopted, the proposed salary scale would be used as a guide for setting salaries but adjustments could be made in individual circumstances.

Mrs. Folsom told the board the library is at full staff, and if this schedule were adopted salaries would be less than budgeted.

With the proposed salary scale, salaries for the staff would be \$23,457 and the board budgeted \$29,580, she said. Also, wages would be lower, \$4,781 compared to the 5,179 budgeted, said the acting director.

"This would give employees something to look forward to

scale won't be in use 20 years from now, but it will help us in preparing the budget every year," he added.

Mrs. Folsom said only a few employes' salaries vary from what is indicated on the proposed scale, and if it is adopted no employe's salary would be cut.

In other business:

— Mrs. Folsom said circulation has increased 3,000 volumes over September 1970, attendance has increased and more new cards have been issued. A change in state requirements for counting circulation is going to cause a decrease in the bookmobile circulation figures, she said.

— Within a few weeks about 6,000 worth of new adult titles should be on the shelves, said Mrs. Folsom, "and that should make people happier than they have been on that matter."

— A project proposal for \$7,000 in federal funds was written around Lanier County's library service needs since it is a designated Economically Deprived Area (EDA), said Mrs. Folsom. Outreach projects for the remainder of the tri-county area, including once-a-week service to day care centers, are included in the proposal.

— Upon a request from board member Mary Grace Martin of Hahira, Mrs. Folsom said there is a "good chance we will be able to get some reference books for the Hahira li-

brary for display of posters entered in its "what America means to me" competition in area junior high schools.

— The board voted to have old Carnegie library on West Central Avenue, branch No. 1, open fulltime 9 a. m. - 6 p. m. with the assistance of an employe paid through a federal grant.

Special Ed Class Here

Ninth Graders Learn To Earn

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Don't throw away that piece of furniture you have no use for anymore. A group of students could use it in the first furniture refinishing class set up in the Valdosta school system for special education pupils.

The class is composed of 13 ninth grade boys at the Valdosta High School - Pinevale Campus.

Class instructor John Field hopes to expand the program to include furniture repair and upholstery so the girls in special ed can learn some of the trade also.

Field takes his special ed class to South Street Elementary School, which is adjacent to the Pinevale Campus, each afternoon for the hour long refinishing session.

"There wasn't any room for the work at Pinevale so we came over here to the old section which is vacant," said Field.

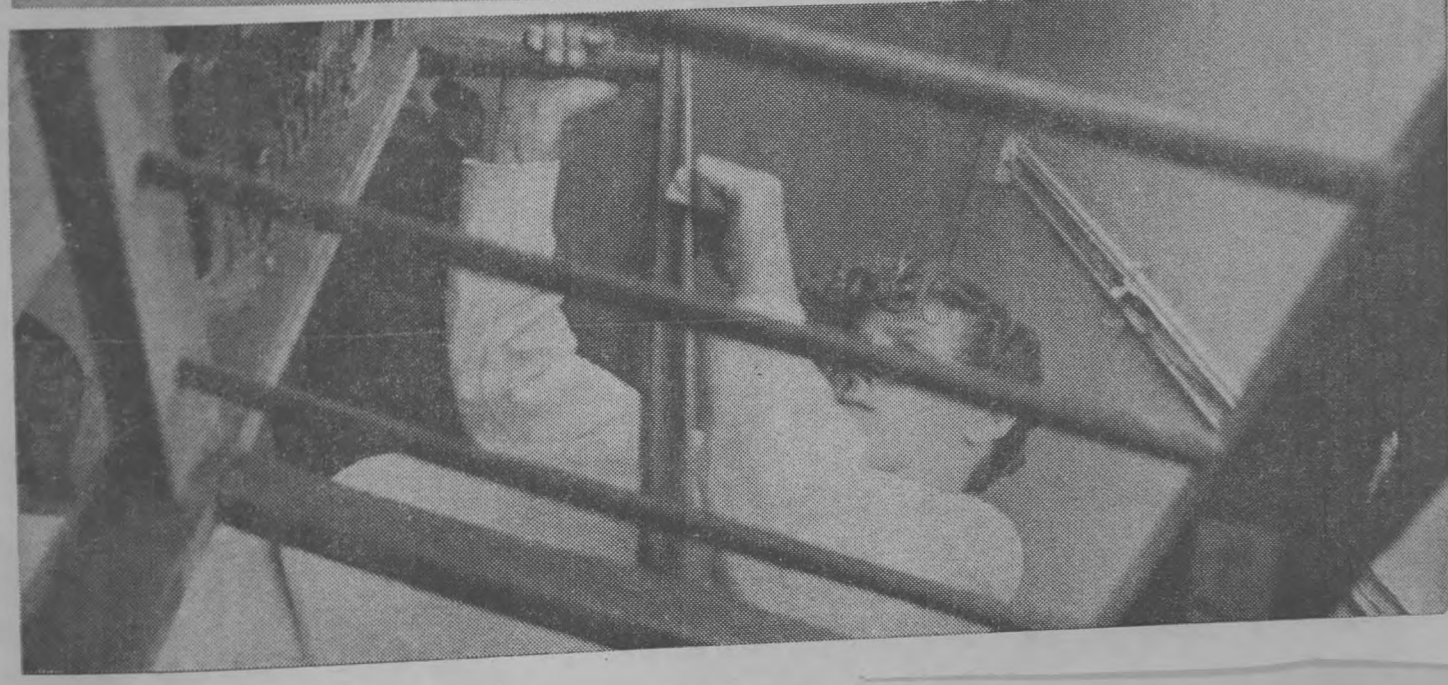
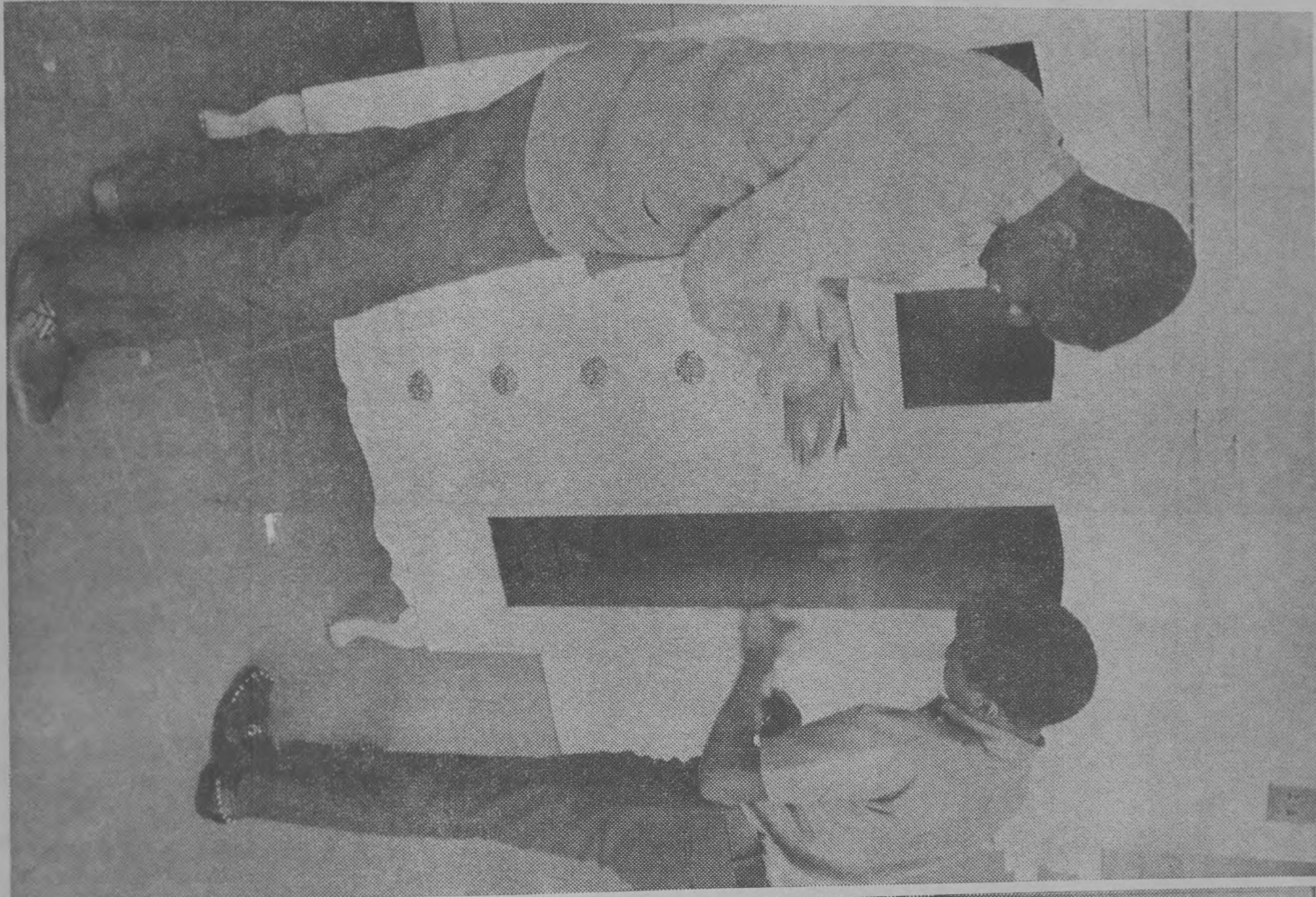
The 25-year-old Valdosta State College graduate, who is in his first year with the city school system, likes to do wood work in his spare time.

"That's where I got the idea of letting the class do something like this. I enjoy it and it is an economical way of having nice furniture without having to pay a lot for it. Also this could be a way for the students to make money themselves later on," said Field.

The class has been involved in the refinishing work for about two weeks. They are in the first stages of refinishing - learning to remove the old finish and sanding the wood.

Field said he plans to take the class through the entire process of refinishing and repairing furniture. "We'll go to the last part of rubbing the furniture out after it's done," he said.

The class is working on several pieces of furniture including chairs, a sofa, bedroom suite and table. Some



Taking Off Old Finish: Students Use Sandpaper to Remove Rough Spots

were donated by the Valdosta Board of Education and some was brought in by Field.

The instructor said he hopes to sell the furniture once it

is finished and use the money to buy additional supplies needed in the class.

Getting It Back in Shape: Youth Learn How To Repair

to get rid of some furniture they have no use for we'll take it. We'll also take on some refinishing jobs," said Field.

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A Second Sullivan-Beasley Duo?

By DAVID DAVIDSON

Atlanta Journal Prep Editor

Valdosta quarterback Stan Bounds rates at the top of most all college recruiting lists in the Southeast and his statistics attest to his merit.

But Moultrie High has a quarterback, who after Friday night's loss to Valdosta, ranks on an even par with Bounds statistically, and he's just a junior.

Ray Goff passed 36 times against Valdosta, completed 17 for 312 yards and three touchdowns, and had two interceptions in a 42-21 loss.

For the season, Bounds has thrown 106 times in six games, completed 54 for 1,110 yards and nine touchdowns, including two in the victory over Moultrie, with six interceptions.

GOFF has passed 110 times, completed 55 for 929 yards and nine touchdowns, and has been intercepted six times.

"We try to pattern ourselves after Pat Sullivan and Terry Beasley (Auburn University's All-American quarterback-wide receiver combination)," said Goff's primary receiver, 6-2, 185-pound senior Steve Rea. Rea caught five

passes in the first half against Valdosta for 170 yards and two touchdowns, and finished the game with nine receptions for 209 yards and the two TDs.

"As long as they'll throw it to me, I'll catch it," Rea said. And he backed up that statement with some seemingly impossible receptions.

The win gives Valdosta a 6-0 record in Region I-AAA competition, where one defeat means disaster. The win also makes Valdosta, perennially No. 1 in The Journal's AAA Top Ten Poll, a heavy favorite to win the state championship.

Losing dropped Moultrie, this year undergoing a major rebuilding under coach Virgil "Bud" Willis, to 5-1, and likely will mean a ninth second-place finish behind Valdosta in I-AAA in the last 11 years.

PREP NOTES — Dolph Bosse, a 160-pound senior, set a new rushing record (at least in the nine years' Graham Hixon has been head coach) by gaining 200 yards on 23 carries in a 19-0 victory over Rockdale County Friday night. Bosse scored on runs of 21 and 31 yards and also inter-

cepted a pass when Rockdale had reached the Woodward 10 yard line, halting a scoring threat, and returned the steal 42 yards.

Another Woodward back, Stan Thomas, ran 13 times for 108 yards. With a powerful ground game gaining strength each week, it appears Hixon has the War Eagles primed for a strong defense of the State Class AA football championship it won last year.

The Griffin at Newnan game Friday night, forfeited 1-0 by home-standing Newnan because there were no officials, was played "for funnies" with some pick-up (three of whom were said to be certified) officials. Newnan won over the Bears, ranked ninth in The Journal's latest AAA Top Ten Poll, 14-13.

Bill Spratlin, an official of the Dixie Football Association, said Saturday there was a schedule mixup and his office had been contracted for a Saturday night game between the two teams, not Friday.

"The way the story first came out," said Spratlin, "it made the officials look bad, when actually it wasn't our fault at all, but a mixup in the home team's scheduling."

School Pave Aid Sought

By MARY CROUSE

Government and city school officials here are meeting with members of the State Highway Department in Atlanta today in an attempt to get emergency financial aid for paving needs at the new Valdosta High School.

The six-man delegation was to meet with Highway Director Bert Lance and explain the emergency paving situation which has developed at the new high school site.

The group took resolutions endorsing the request and stressing the urgency of the situation from Mayor - Council, The Lowndes County commissioners and the Valdosta Board of Education.

Mayor - Council adopted the resolution at a special meeting Tuesday afternoon. The school board met in special session Tuesday night to approve the document.

Making the trip to Atlanta were board vice chairman I. H. (Bubber) Tillman, school Supt. Foster Goolsby, County manager Don Brazeal, city manager Vern Bechtel, Mayor Aubrey Stump and Lowndes County Planning Commission official C. H. Duncan.

The board decided to make the trip after local attempts to get paving done at the 60-acre site ran afoul of money problems.

The estimated cost on the paving and curb and gutter work at the new \$4.5 million school is about \$250,000. The board had asked for help from local government officials on the paving problem but were told that funds weren't available for the project.

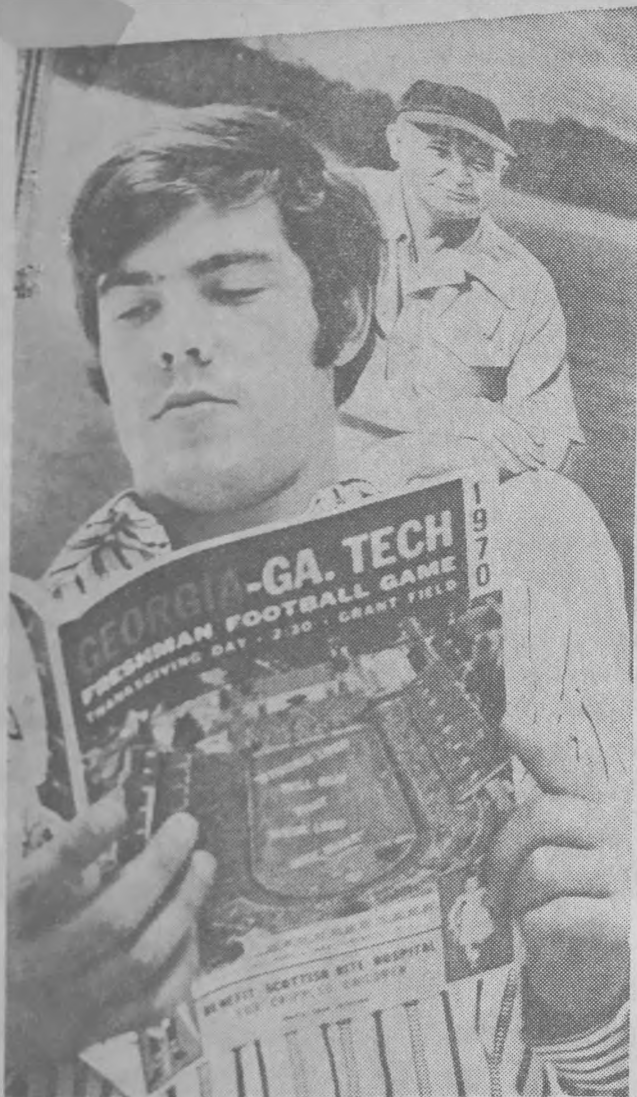
At a board meeting last week Commission chairman W. P. (Billy) Langdale said he is in favor of deleting future work until the paving is completed at the school. He called the school needs top priority and said he would be in favor of the highway department taking some of the allotted county paving money to do the job.

"I consider this an emergency," said Langdale.

Mayor Stump also called the paving problem an emergency.

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Staff Photo—Al Stephenson
GREAT COACH LOOKS DOWN ON GREAT COACH'S SON
 Curt Bazemore Reads of Frosh Classic Bill Alexander Started

FOOTBALL

Jack Shiner Advised A La Tarkenton El Pass Not

By CHARLIE ROBE

Curt Bazemore isn't sure who the greatest of his Valdosta home is, or Mamma." But he has with countless people who have acclaimed Wright more as the number one school football coach in Georgia.

"He's just the greatest coach and the greatest father," said the 180-pound Georgia Tech man wrecker (or sting) Coach Dick Bestwick, Baby Jackets through workout at Rose Bowl.

Curt is the only son of coach Wright Bazemore has fashioned 14 state championship teams and a won-lost-tied record at Valdosta High.

Curt was a linebacker years (1968-70) during the Wildcats were undefeated in regular season and lost one playoff game — Monday Academy in 1970.

What are the advantages and disadvantages of playing for a coaching

"I felt I had a double edge," said Curt. "I'm home and when I got

One week ago Shiner was absent at the Monday in an appearance when Bob E. Los Angeles and thrown the losing cause.

He played more again last season as the eight-year veteran out of made no moves toward the Fame.

He started for two seasons otherwise he has served first with Washington, then with the Giants.

Shiner played for Tom

Henderson To AAA R

By BILL SKUTT
 Constitution Prep Editor

The past weekend just was not a good one for school teams ranked in the Top 10.

Take Class AAA for instance. Three of the Benedictine, Griffin and Clarke Central . . . lost.

Reigning Poultry Princess Heads DE Alumni At VHS

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A Poultry Princess whose hobbies include restoring antique cars has been elected president of the Valdosta Distributive Education Alumni Association.

VHS DE coordinator Norman Greene said the 45-member group elected Helen Montague, a 20-year-old native Valdostan, to succeed Bill Malone who held the post last year.

Miss Montague was graduated from Valdosta High School in 1969 and served as historian to the VHS DE Club. She is a former secretary of the Georgia DECA junior collegiate division's Student of the Year competition last year.

She holds an associate degree in distribution from Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College at Tifton and is employed by C. C. Varnadoe and Company clothing store here.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Montague, she is the reigning Miss Poultry of the Douglas district winning the crown in a beauty contest sponsored by the Poultry Commodity Commission.

A native Valdostan, she is a member of First Christian Church.

Her off-time is spent restoring old cars. She said a current project is the restoration of a 1934 Ford.

The association includes former DE students from the



HELEN MONTAGUE
 Restores Cars Too

years 1969-1971, Greene said. Its primary goal this year is to make Valdosta the host city for the district convention in February which is usually attended by about 100 persons from a nine-county area.

Greene said the group also is making an effort to boost its membership to 100 this year.

Officers elected to serve with Miss Montague are Ken Webb, vice-president; Jeannie Guest, secretary; and Larry Staley, reporter.

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mission chairman W. P. (Billy) Langdale said the paving needs at the school are an emergency and a no. 1 priority here.

Tillman said the group took the school plans to Lance, who turned them over to the engineering division.

"We told Mr. Lance the scope of the project and what our problems are. The people we talked with were very cordial. They are going to check everything out and told us they'd be in touch soon," said the board official.

"The fact the city, the county, planning commission and school board are all together on this and put it as the no. 1 priority helped us. We are receiving excellent cooperation from all agencies on this now," said Tillman.

He said some county equipment is now at the 60-acre high school site on North Forrest Street at the Highland Heights intersection.

The board made the trip to Atlanta after local attempts to get paving done ran afoul of money problems.

The estimated cost on the paving and curb and gutter work at the new comprehensive facility, which is to replace the old VHS, is about \$250,000. The board had asked for help from local government officials on the paving problem but were told that funds were not available.



—Times Staff Photo

Misses Bythwood and Johnston: VHS Candidates for Homecoming Queen

VHS Homecoming Is Wild Wild West

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

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Young Ideas...

Homecoming activities are set for Thursday and Friday at Valdosta High School but the Student Council is keeping this year's homecoming queen a secret until the football game.

Two seniors, JoLynne Johnston and Rosalyn Bythwood, have been nominated by their classmates to seek the 1971 homecoming crown.

The queen is to be selected by secret ballot next week by the entire student body, said council president Robert Orr.

"We felt this would add more suspense and excitement to the homecoming this year and we are in hopes that this will be the best homecoming the school has ever had," he said.

Under the VHS regulations set up for homecoming court elections, each class was to nominate one Negro and one white representative. The senior girl getting the highest number of votes next week is to be queen and the other candidate is to be the senior representative.

The ninth, 10th and 11 graders are to have two members each, one white and one Negro, in the homecoming court.

The juniors have chosen Barbara Enyon and Barbara Scott Taylor while Pam Baze-

representing the sophomores. Julie Wetherington and Brenda Reid are the freshmen members.

Miss Johnston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Johnston, is a member of the Student Council and is state secretary of the Distributive Education Clubs of America.

Miss Blythwood is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Bythwood.

Two couples have been named Mr. and Miss Spirit by the football cheerleaders. They are Hazel Phillips and Calvin Calloway and Mary Alice King and Temmy Eager.

Carol Reddick has been selected the Wildcat mascot by the cheerleaders and Sharon Everson was named Miss Flame by the football team.

Johnny Sandsberry has been named Mr. Junior Class Spirit and Donna Warlick is Miss Sophomore Class Spirit.

This year's theme is the

day has been declared Wild West day at VHS. Faculty members and students are to come to school dressed in western garb, said Orr.

The pep rally and bonfire is to be at 8 p.m. Thursday on campus.

The parade is at 4 p.m. Friday through downtown Valdosta. The homecoming court is to be featured in the parade led by the Marchin' Cats.

The homecoming football game is at 8 p.m. at Cleveland Field on the VHS campus and the Wildcats host the Westover High Patriots of Albany.

The queen and her court are to be presented during halftime activities. The homecoming dance is to be held after the game from 10:30 p.m. - 1:30 a.m. at W. G. Nunn Elementary School.

The dance theme is the Fantasy World of Disney World. The dance is for VHS students and their dates and faculty members, said Orr.

Wildcats Picked Over Tornadoes

After going up four times in a row my football prediction average took a dip last week.

I picked 35 winners and missed in 11 games for a weekly mark of .761. This sliced five points off my average for the season and it now stands at 210-65-.764.



GLASSMAN

BROOKS VS CAIRO — Brooks County's Trojans (4-1) will be meeting Cairo's Syrupmakers (5-1) in a key Region 1-AA (West) game tonight at Quitman. This will be a match between Cairo's strong attack and Brooks' tough defense. I'm giving the nod to Cairo.

COOK VS FITZGERALD — Cook's Hornets (3-3) will tangle with Fitzgerald's Hurricanes (5-1) in an important Region 1-AA (East) test tonight at Adel. Fitz is my choice.

CLINCH VS BLACKSHEAR — Clinch's winless (0-6) Panthers will host Blackshear's Tigers (3-4) in a Region 2-B contest. My vote goes to Blackshear.

HAMILTON VS BAKER COUNTY — Hamilton County's Trojans (4-1) must go to Macclenny to meet conference foe Baker County. I think Hamilton will post its fifth win.

MADISON VS JEFFERSON — Madison's Cougars (4-1) will be at home for a duel with Jefferson County. I'm picking Madison to win.

OTHER PREP GAMES AT A GLANCE — Albany over Crisp, Early over Americus, Appling over Jeff Davis, Bainbridge over Westover, Benedictine over Groves, Brantley over Charlton, Macon Central over Macon Southwest, Tift over Dougherty, Waycross over Glynn, Irwin over Pelham, Kendrick over Jordan and Moultrie over Thomasville. Now let's look at the college list.

GEORGIA VS KENTUCKY—Georgia's Bulldogs, with a perfect 6-0 record, are to go against Kentucky's Wildcats at Athens on Saturday. It will be homecoming for the Bulldogs and I think they will celebrate with another victory.

GEORGIA TECH VS TULANE—Georgia Tech's Yellow Jackets (2-4) have bowed in their last two starts, but I think they will break back into the win column by licking Tulane at New Orleans tomorrow night.

FSU VS SOUTH CAROLINA — Florida State's Seminoles (5-1) were knocked from the unbeaten ranks last week. FSU faces another tough test against South Carolina at Tallahassee Saturday night, but I'm picking the Seminoles.

FLORIDA VS MARYLAND—Florida's Gators (1-5) halted a long losing skid last week and I think Doug Dickey's charges will make it two wins in a row by thumping Maryland.

OTHER COLLEGE GAMES AT A GLANCE — Alabama over Houston, Auburn over Clemson, Duke over Navy, Ole Miss over Vandy, North Carolina over Wake Forest, Army over Virginia, Arkansas over North Texas State, Texas A&M over Baylor, Texas over Rice, Texas Tech over SMU, Penn State over TCU, Air Force over Colorado State, Colorado over Missouri, California over UCLA, Notre Dame over Southern Cal, Stanford over Washington State, Washington over Oregon State, Syracuse over Holy Cross, Purdue over Illinois, Northwestern over Indiana, Iowa over Michigan State, Iowa over Kansas, Oklahoma over Kansas State, Michigan over Minnesota, Nebraska over Oklahoma State and Ohio State over Wisconsin.

Board Optimistic About Paving Aid

By MARY CROUSE

If feelings are a correct barometer, then the Valdosta Board of Education can expect some financial help from the State Highway Department with the critical paving problem at the new high school, which is scheduled to open next fall.

Board chairman I. H. (Sub-

ber) Tillman Jr. said the meeting between a local delegation of government and city school officials and State Highway director Burt Lance in Atlanta Wednesday was "warm and cordial."

Tillman said the local group was warmly received by Lance and that he feels the trip to the state capital was a successful one.

"I feel like we will receive help. I don't know how much but I think help is coming," said the board vice chairman.

The board is to be notified "soon" on what the department plans to do about the local school paving needs, he said.

Tillman and five other men met with Lance to ask for financial help in getting paving done

at the new \$4.5 million Valdosta High School.

Making the one-day trip with Tillman were Mayor Aubrey Stump, city school Supt. Foster Goolsby, Lowndes County manager Don Brazeal, city manager Vern Bechtel and Lowndes County Planning Commission official C. H. Duncan.

The group took resolutions endorsing the request and stressing the urgency of the situation from Mayor-Council, the county commissioners and city school board.

Mayor Stump and commis-

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Mrs. Dewar Named Teacher Of Year

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A former president of the Lowndes County Mental Health Association has been named teacher of the year for the Valdosta school system.

Alice Dewar, a teacher for 22 years in city schools, is to represent the system in the statewide teacher of the year competition.

A native of Spokane, Wash., Mrs. Dewar teaches Georgia history at Valdosta Junior High School.

The systemwide teacher of the year was selected by a committee appointed by the Valdosta Association of Educators, said president C. T. Dickerson.

The special committee chose Mrs. Dewar from a list of instructors nominated from their various school faculties. The other nominees include Maude Willis, Leila Ellis Elementary; Daisy Deshazior, Lomax Elementary; Elizabeth Thomas, W. G. Nunn Elementary; Carolyn Clanton, S. L. Mason.

Margaret Dukes, Southeast Elementary; Mable Wolinski, Valdosta High; Mary Wall, Sallas Mahone Elementary, and Frances Dees, the VHS-Pinevale Campus.

Dickerson said that while Mrs. Wall was nominated from Sallas-Mahone her qualifications did not reach the committee in time for the judging.

"The Sallas-Mahone people thought they had a longer time to get the nominee and her criteria in to the committee. It was a breakdown in communications and we are very sorry this happened. The local winner's qualifications had to be postmarked to the state committee by last Wednesday night," said Dickerson.

The teacher of the year was



MRS. RALPH DEWAR
Mental Health Leader

selected on the basis of dedication to the profession and superior ability to inspire love of learning in students of all backgrounds and abilities, said the VAE president.

The wife of the late Ralph Dewar, the teacher taught in Clinch, Berrien and Lowndes county school systems before joining the Valdosta district in 1949.

She did her undergraduate work at College of the Ozarks in Clarksville, Ark., and received her master's degree at George Peabody College for Teachers at Nashville, Tenn.

Mrs. Dewar was instrumental in organizing the Lowndes County Mental Health Association and is a former president of the group.

It was through her work on the State Board of Mental Health that she became interested in getting facilities for the mentally ill here.

Mrs. Dewar is a past president of the VAE and is president of the local chapter of

the American Association of University Women. She is on the administrative board of the Park Avenue United Methodist Church and served on the Georgia Professional Textbook Committee.

She is a supervising teacher at VJHS.

"As a professional teacher I believe in the worth of each individual pupil and the possibility of each pupil with creativity," said Mrs. Dewar.

Respected by teachers and students alike for her fairness in the classroom, Mrs. Dewar said she believes in the opportunity each teacher has the right of others to have different ones from mine."

She believes teachers have an obligation to research new ideas to help students learn and to inculcate the love for learning.

"I also believe we have an obligation to teach by example faith in fellow man, belief in God and love for country," said Mrs. Dewar.

The state winner, to be announced later this fall, is to compete in the national event.

PREP SPOTLIGHT

Westwood Heads Team of Week List

By DAVID DAVIDSON
Atlanta Journal Prep Editor

Choosing a prep Team of the Week ordinarily isn't too difficult a task.

Usually there are one or two, maybe three, outstanding victories which merit a team the honor. Not this week. Nearly a dozen teams in Georgia represent legitimate nominations after last weekend's games.



David Davidson

In Class AAA, Groves upset previously unbeaten and No. 4 ranked Bendictine, 14-7, No. 7 ranked Lakeside defeated previously unbeaten and No. 6 ranked Clarke Central, 20-7, Forest Park upset previously unbeaten and No. 8 ranked Griffin, 26-13, and Thomasville beat No. 10 ranked Moultrie 20-7.

In Class AA, South Hall held Gainesville scoreless for the first time since St. Pius did it in the 1968 state championship game and halted a 33-game Gainesville Region 8-AA winning streak when the

HOW THE TOP TENS FARED

CLASS AAA	CLASS AA	CLASS A	CLASS B	CLASS C
<p>1/8. Valdosta (7-0) df. Monroe, 75-22; 2. (tie) Macon Central (7-0) df. Macon Southwest, 28-0; and Warner Robins (6-0) did not play; 4. Bendictine (7-1) lost to Groves, 12-7; 5. Baker (7-0) df. Columbus Carver, 34-0; 6. Clarke Central (5-1) lost to Lakeside, 20-7; 7. Lakeside (6-1) df. Clarke Central, 20-7; 8. (tie) Laney (7-0) df. Baldwin, 33-0; and Griffin (6-1) lost to Forest Park, 26-13; 10. Moultrie (5-2) lost to Thomasville, 20-0.</p>	<p>1/8. West Rome (7-0) df. Lafayette, 35-0; 2. Statesboro (7-0) df. Glynn Hills, 20-0; 3. North Fulton (7-0) df. West Fulton, 25-0; 4. East Rome (8-0) df. Calhoun, 14-6; 5.</p>	<p>(tie) Shamrock (7-0) df. Lithonia, 21-12; and Gainesville (5-1-1) tied South Hall, 0-0; 7. (tie) Lakeshore (6-0-1) df. Westminster, 12-7; and Dykes (6-2) lost to Fulton, 3-0; 9. Cairo (6-1) df. Brooks Co., 23-0; 10. Russell (6-1) df. Harris Co., 51-0.</p>	<p>1/8. Lovett (7-0) did not play; 2. Southeast Bulloch (8-0) df. Glennville, 14-6; 3. Glennville (7-1) lost to Southeast Bulloch, 14-6; 4. Savannah Country Day (5-2) lost to Liberty Co., 16-15; 5. Brantley Co. (7-1) lost to Charlton Co., 7-0; 6. Eastbrook (6-1) df. Gordon Lee, 10-0; 7. Montgomery Co. (6-1) df. Georgia Military, 27-13; 8. Monticello (6-1) df. Oglethorpe Co., 59-0; 9. Bowdon (5-1-1) did not play; 10. Oconee Co. (6-1) df. Riverside, 12-7.</p>	<p>1/8. Mt. de Sales (6-0) df. Dawson Co., 39-0; 2. Adairsville (7-1) df. Gordon Military, 46-0; 3. Loganville (5-0-1) df. Dacula, 14-0.</p>

teams fought to a 0-0 tie, and Fulton defeated No. 7 ranked Dykes, 3-0.

In Class A, No. 6 ranked Bradwell Institute defeated No. 2 ranked Metter, 14-7, and No. 9 ranked Westwood defeated No. 4 ranked Pickens Co., 14-13.

In Class B, No. 2 ranked Southeast Bulloch outlasted No. 3 ranked Glennville in a 14-6 struggle which turned out to be as long and hard a battle as predicted, Liberty Co. upset No. 4 ranked Savannah Country Day, 16-15, and Charlton Co. upset No. 5 ranked Brantley Co.

All three ranked teams in Class C —

Mt. de Sales, Adairsville and Loganville — won shutout victories.

Team of the Week winner: Westwood. The Vikings, under the guidance of coach Malcom Moore, now are 7-0, although they are not playing for the Region 5-A championship. Westwood is a relatively new school, and this year's senior class will be the first to go through all three high school grades.

Player of the Week is Michael Thomas of Wrens who scored five touchdowns and rushed 19 times for 174 yards in a 61-0 win over Wadley. Thomas now has 19

touchdowns and 1105 yards gained in eight games this season. Wrens has a 4-4 record.

Coach of the Week is T. S. "Tee" McFerrin of Forest Park. After tying R. E. Lee in its first game, 10-10, then losing to Newton County in the second, Forest Park has won five straight and now is only a half game behind Griffin in the 6-AAA standings, as is R. E. Lee.

With only Therrell and Price remaining, Forest Park is in solid position to take the lead should Griffin stumble against either LaGrange Friday night or Jonesboro on Nov. 5.

But here's a thought: Should Griffin stumble, R. E. Lee and Forest Park have identical records in the region and both are 0-1 against nonregion opponents (both lost to AA teams). If Forest Park and R. E. Lee win out, and Griffin loses, the championship either must be decided by a playoff or a vote of the region coaches.

Score of the Week: Valdosta 75, Monroe 22, the Wildcats' widest margin of victory so far this year. Valdosta's closest margin was a 42-21 win over Moultrie, and after that a 28-0 win over Bainbridge.



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Pony Parking Problems

Indians Dick Parker, left, and Sidney Ernest, got a parking ticket Thursday from paleface Valdosta High School sheriff Lloyd Mims. Mims, principal, hammed up the no parking ticket episode when the two students tried to park, or hitch their pony at the front campus. The stu-

dents and faculty dressed in western garb to kick off homecoming activities which got underway Thursday. This year's theme, "The Wild, Wild West" was to be further carried out in the parade at 4 p.m. today. The football game against Westover of Albany is at 8 p.m. at Cleveland Field.



—Times Staff Photo

VHS Queen

JoLynn Johnston, 17-year-old Valdosta High School senior, was crowned homecoming queen Friday night during halftime activities at the VHS-Westover of Albany football game here. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Johnston, she is state secretary of the Distributive Education Clubs of America and a member of the Student Council. Rosalyn Bythwood, the other homecoming queen nominee, was the senior class attendant.

Prep Honor Roll

JESSE DORSEY, White Co., the junior halfback scored his 18th and 19th touchdowns of the year and rushed for 248 yards in the team's 28-2 victory over East Hall. Dorsey ran his season rushing total of 2,027.

KENT MASON, Southwest, recovered two fumbles inside the West Fulton 25 to set up back-to-back first half touchdowns which led to the Wolves 33-12 victory over West Fulton.

TYRONE CLARK, Warren Co., made 12 tackles including sacking the opposition quarterback five times as Warren County defeated Louisville, 13-7.

RUSSELL COOPER, CALVIN WORD, Central of Carrollton, Cooper rushed 14 times for 181 yards while Word was leading the Lion defense with 12 tackles. Central defeated Bremen, 32-0.

DAVID MAHER, DOUG ELSTAD, Avondale, Maher caught 10 passes for 136 yards and scored three touchdowns helping the Blue Devils to a lopsided 4-6, victory over Howard. Maher hit on 18 of 28 passes for 249 yards.

ALFRED HARRIS, GARY MCCONNELL, Turner, Harris carried 11 times for 169 yards while McConnell tried 12 times for 161 yards, but the Wolves lost to Carver, 6-0.

TOMMY WEST, Gainesville, scored four touchdowns and picked up 144 yards in 14 carries as the Red Elephants stopped Forsyth County, 47-13.

WENDELL SMITH, PHIL GORDON, Wilcox Co., Smith was the target of four touchdown passes and Gordon threw four as Wilcox swamped Vienna, 44-0.

MIKE KNIGHT, RONNIE KNIGHT, Valley Point, Mike ran for three touchdowns and Ronnie passed for another as Valley Point erased Geordon Lee 42-0.

HERMAN JETER, North Fulton, carried 11 times for 116 yards and two touchdowns helping the Bulldogs to a 28-7 victory over George.

ERNERS WILSON, Early Co., scored

on runs of 52, 42, and 10 yards and again on a four-yard pass. Early County downed Houston County, Ala., 34-0.

DANNY MEYERS, Henderson, engineered a 62-yard scoring drive and passed 58-yards for another second half score to break a 14-14 intermission tie and bring the Cougars out with a 28-14 victory over Clarke Central.

WILLIE BEASLEY, Bowdon, scored three times, including once with an intercepted pass, to lead Bowdon's 34-6 sheikdom of West Point.

ROBERT HAYGOOD, Russell, scored all three Wildcat touchdowns as Russell downed Briarwood, 21-14.

JACKIE LACKEY, MARK MCCULLERS, Loganville, Lackey ran 19 times for 150 aynds and scored three times. McCullers completed only six passes in nine tries, but three of them were for scores.

JACKIE CROWDER, Carrollton, scored on a 24-yard run, a 45-yard pass interception and passed 13 yards for another as the Trojans bombed Fayette County, 28-7.

OBV BREWER, FRED SHEATS, Dykes, Brewer rushed 132 yards in 28 tries. Sheats had one interception and led the defense in the Colts 22-15 victory over Harper.

STANLEY BOUNDS, STANDROD ROME, Valdosta, Bounds hit on nine of 14 passes for 222 yards and two touchdowns and scored once on the ground. Rome caught four passes for 119 yards and one touchdown. The Wildcats downed Westover, 47-6.

DONALD BYRD, Kendrick, scored two touchdowns, one on the ground and one on a pass, and ran over a two-point conversion as the Cherokees tied Warner Robins, 14-14.

MELVIN HOWARD, JEROME DURHAM, Warner Robins, Howard picked up 142 yards in 22 carries and Durham had 110 yards in 19 tries as the Demons tied Kendrick, 14-14.

WALTER HILL, Southwest Macon, scored both touchdowns in the 23-0 victory over Columbus.

FRANK LUCAS, Monroe, scored on three touchdowns passes to pace a 32-12 victory over Lowndes.

JACK ANSLEY, Stone Mountain, rushed for 101 yards in 12 tries leading Stone Mountain past Milton, 18-0.

MIKE HOLMES, DANNY HONEA, North Clayton, Holmes rushed for 118 yards and Honea had four touchdowns the Eagles, 36-6 victory over Troup.

RONNEI GLOVER, RICHARD STORY, Douglass of Montezuma, Glover scored on runs of 75, 11 and three yards and asses for another score to Story. Story scored again on a 54-yard run. Douglas defeated East Laurens, 34-13.

DOUG BENNETT, PEE WEE THORNTON, Lakeshore, Bennett caused two fumbles and recovered two. He also made two tackles behind the line of scrimmage. Thornton set up two touchdowns with a pass interception and a punt return. Lakeshore downed Sandy Springs, 35-0.

BOB TILLMAN, ROBERT JACKSON, Newnan, Tillman hit on six of 16 passes for 117 yards and three touchdowns. Jackson picked up 130 yards in 20 tries.

NICK DEMETROS, BILL MILLS, Marist, Demetros rushed for 135 yards and two touchdowns. Mills scored on a 10-yard pass and a 101-yard pass interception return as the War Eagles blasted North Cobb, 40-6.

RICK SEAY, DAVE O'DAY, Ridgeview, scored three touchdowns and O'Day scored four as Ridgeview pounded Wills, 48-19.

TED HANSFORD, Washington-Wilkes, his tackle in the end zone accounted for the game's only points as the Tigers downed Lincoln County, 2-0.

BILLY SPATLIN, CHRIS JACKSON, VIC SPIER, Forest Park, Spratlin gained 164 yards in six carries, including an 82-yard touchdown. Jackson completed five of seven passes for 178 yards and two scores and Spier led the defense while the Panthers routed Threll, 46-0.

AL RICHARDSON, Wayne Co., had touchdown runs of one and three yards to help the Yellow Jackets to a 21-0 victory over Savannah.

MIKE DUANE FRANK SAVAGE, Winder-Barrow, Duane scored twice, once on passes from Savage, who also had another scoring toss. The Bulldogs downed GIL, 27-14.

TERRY PROCTOR, LaGrange, passed for one score and ran for another helping his team upset Griffin, 14-7.

DENNIS MARLOWE, Jefferson, scored two touchdowns to lead Jefferson's 33-6 rout of Commerce.

RONNIE PIERCE, Gordon, hit on nine of 22 passes for 217 yards and a touchdown and scored once himself to lead a victory over Walker, 23-21.

BABE MOORE, R. L. Osborne, passed for one touchdown, ran for another and kicked a 26-yard field goal in the Cardinals 25-28 loss to South Cobb.

SIDNEY NORTON, Newton Co., scored two second half touchdowns to

How Prep Elite Fared

- AAA**
1. Valdosta (8-0) defeated Westover, 47-6.
 2. Warner Robins (7-0-1) tied Kendrick 14-14.
 3. Macon Central (8-0) defeated Baker, 14-6.
 4. Laney (8-0) defeated Butler, 7-0.
 - (tie) Baker (6-1) lost to Macon Central, 14-6.
 6. Lakeside (7-1) defeated Cross Keys, 42-6.
 7. Avondale (7-1) defeated Howard, 41-6.
 - (tie) Groves, (8-1) defeated Brunswick, 32-19.
 9. Kendrick (5-1-2) tied Warner Robins, 14-14.
 10. Henderson (6-1) defeated Clarke Central, 28-14.

- AA**
1. West Rome (8-0) defeated Pepperell, 36-0.
 2. Statesboro (8-0) defeated Effingham Co., 27-6.
 3. North Fulton (8-0) defeated George, 28-7.
 4. East Rome (9-0) defeated Cass, 20-14.
 5. Shamrock (7-1) lost to Clarkston, 8-6.
 6. Rossville (7-1) defeated Calhous, 35-14.
 7. Gainesville (6-1-1) defeated Forsyth Co., 47-13.
 - (tie) Cairo (7-1) defeated Coffee, 10-0.
 - (tie) Briarwood (7-1) lost to Russell, 21-14.
 10. Russell (7-1) defeated Briarwood, 21-14.

- A**
1. Carrollton (8-0) defeated Fayette Co., 28-7.

2. Turner Co. (9-0) defeated Irwin Co., 20-15.
3. Rockmart (8-0) defeated Coosa, 14-0.
4. Bradwell Institute (6-1) did not play.
5. Jefferson (7-1) defeated Commerce, 33-6.
6. Westwood (8-0) defeated St. Joseph, 27-14.
7. Coosa (5-3) lost to Rockmart, 14-0.
8. Macheater (7-1) defeated Hogansville, 35-7.
9. Metter (6-1) did not play.
10. Pickens Co. (7-2) lost to Murray Co., 14-0.

- B**
1. Lovett (7-1) lost to Duluth, 14-8.
 2. Southeast Bulloch (8-0) did not play.
 3. Eastbrook (7-2) lost to Trion, 18-12.
 4. Glenville (8-1) defeated Savannah Country Day, 40-8.
 5. Central of Carrollton (7-2) defeated Bremen, 32-0.
 6. Bowdon (6-1) defeated West Point, 34-6.
 7. Montgomery Co. (6-1-1) tied Lyons, 0-0.
 8. Monticello (6-2) lost to Putnam Co., 14-0.
 9. Macon Co. (7-1) defeated Wilkinson Co., 7-0.

- C**
1. Mt. DeSales (7-0) defeated Gordon Military, 63-0.
 2. Adairsville (8-1) defeated East Coweta, 54-0.
 3. Loganville (7-0) defeated Boggs Academy, 30-12.

VHS Drug Abuse Team Gets Okay From Kids

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

About 119 Valdosta High School youths went into grades five through nine in the city system this week to tell the younger students why they don't take drugs.

It was the first encounter between the VHS drug prevention team and the youngsters. And according to members of both groups, the program has gotten off to an enthusiastic start.

A VHS-Pinevale Campus student said the program is the first honest approach she's seen to the drug problem here.

"The high school kids didn't come up with a lot of crap. They didn't try to act like they knew the whole score. They didn't lie and I liked that," said the ninth grader.

The team members visited every fifth through ninth grade section Wednesday in the city school system. Each member of the team was assigned a specific grade in a particular school to work with the entire academic year. The seminars were 30 minutes at the elementary plants and one hour at the junior high and Pinevale.

The group is to make monthly visits to the schools in an effort to prevent the spread of drug abuse here.

A similar program is also underway in the Lowndes County school system.

VHS guidance counselor Jenny Wisenbaker said the reception the drug team received in the schools surpassed anything the students expected.

Mrs. Wisenbaker, coordinator of city school's drug prevention program, said most of the classroom teachers cooperated with the effort and support the idea.

"There were a couple of the teachers who wanted to do most of talking and the students resented this because they feel it is their program and they should be allowed to handle it," said the counselor.

The team members talked about why they don't use drugs and also answered as many questions as they could from the younger pupils.

"We didn't try to pretend that we had all the answers. We did say that the questions we couldn't answer we would try to find the answers and bring them back the next time we visit," said Melanie Eanes, a senior who visited the seventh grade at Valdosta Junior High School.

She said the team members will do independent and group research to try and find answers to the questions. Some of the questions will be talked about at the workshops held each month before the school visitations, said Mrs. Wisenbaker.

The 119 members of drug prevention team were screened by Mrs. Wisenbaker and

team who knew what it was like and were willing to talk about it to the kids. Some of the kids will say 'you talk about drugs but you've never been on them, so how do you know what it's like. I want to talk to someone who's been there'. Then we bring one of the resource students in to that class and let him or her talk to the kids," said Mrs. Wisenbaker.

The idea of the program is to get to the younger students who are sitting on the fence and who could go either way with the drug problem, she said.

"We're after that kid who doesn't know which way to go. If we get to him, we know he'll wind up on the straight route. The ones who are experimenting with drugs already and the ones who are already leaning in that direction we might not reach. I'd hope we could but I don't know," said Mrs. Wisenbaker.

The group seems to have reached some of the younger students already because more than one youngster vowed never to touch drugs after hearing the team talk.

"It really made you feel good to see it happen. A little girl in the class I was in stood up before we left and said she hoped she would grow up and be as happy as we are and not be on drugs. I felt we were really getting to the kids," said senior Carol Reddick.

Miss Reddick and Stanford Rome were teammates at W. G. Nunn Elementary School.

Rome, first string end for the VHS Wildcat football team, said many of the students ask-

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Young Ideas...

ed for his autograph.

"They asked for my autograph and I started signing. I think the fact I play ball and don't take drugs and was willing to come see them and talk about it did some good," said Rome, sophomore class president.

Wildcat quarterback Stanley Bounds said most of the pupils at West Gordon Elementary School where he visited knew him, too.

"I told them that I wanted to help stop the spreading of drug abuse and I tried to show them that they don't need drugs to have fun. The kids really liked what we had to say and did a lot of talking," said Bounds.

The team did not go into the schools with the "don't take drugs" approach. That would have turned off the students from the very beginning, said Bounds.

"I told the students that I'm not taking drugs and that I have a good life and will have a good future. I tried to make them see their life will be better without the use of drugs," said Mary Williams a junior who went to Pinevale.

All the team members interviewed said they got involved in the program because they are concerned about the spreading drug problem here.

"We wanted to do some-

thing to prevent others from getting on to drugs. If something isn't done to reach the kids, we could hit the serious stage with drugs here," said Miss Eanes.

The team members found many of the younger students were as well informed about drugs and drug abuse as they are.

"One or two of the kids talked about different ways of coming off drugs that I had never heard of. I'm going to find out about it though," said Miss Eanes.

The November topic is Glue Sniffing and team members say they've already started their homework on the subject.

"This is one of the best ways I know to really find out what the problem is here and to try to do some preventative work towards correcting it. The kids have been told 'don't' so many times, they don't listen any more. But you get some older students to come in and tell them life is great without drugs and you have their attention.

"Kids want honesty and that's what the drug program is all about. They are trying to give the facts and also admit if they don't know all the answers. And in all this maybe we can get to that kid on the fence," said Mrs. Wisenbaker.

School Boosters Are Getting Job Done

By MARY CROUSE

When Sallias-Mahone Elementary School principal Jim Melvin tried to organize a Parent-Teacher Association unit this fall, he got nowhere.

So he went to insurance executive Jimmy Shadrick and solicited his help in forming a Sallias-Mahone Booster Club. The response has been greater than the two men ever imagined.

"We had seen what the booster clubs had done for the Valdosta High School band and what the Touchdown Club has meant to the football team so we decided to give it a try at our school," said Shadrick.

Melvin said he has never seen enthusiasm to equal that which has been generated from the club since its birth the first of October.



"We're still conducting the membership drive," Melvin said.

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JIM MELVIN

Fantastic Response

led by the club to work with the children each school day. Each child gets 30 minutes of PE a day and is tested for physical fitness. A spring Olympics is planned at the campus.

"And we are coordinating our PE program with our social studies. Each class is a different country and the students are learning to say a few words in that country's language. Flags of the countries have been ordered and the students will have Christmas parties before the holidays and decorate the countries' tradition," Melvin said.

"The youngsters will also dress up in native costumes for

the Olympics and cheer the students from their individual rooms."

A music program for all the students is also getting underway. Under the direction of Gwen Spell, VSC music professor each child is being tested for musical abilities and talents.

The top scoring students may participate in music lessons from 8-8:30 each morning given by Mrs. Spell.

The students in the gifted class are to pay \$2 a month but the club will absorb the fees for those unable to afford the lessons, said Melvin.

"We want to encourage those gifted musically inclined students and also offer music programs for the rest of the school. We plan to have a boys' choir and a girls' chorus," said the principal.

Valdosta High art teacher Patsy Smith is working on an art program for the Sallias-Mahone students, said Melvin.

The boosters are also sponsoring a beautification program inside the plant and on the campus. The club has bought plants and individual members have donated plants and flowers.

Each room has a flower bed which the students, under Melvin, a garden enthusiastic, and booster club members supervision, are learning to care for. "The kids are learning responsibility and something about ecology at the same time," said Melvin.

Shadrick said the boosters felt the students and teachers could do a better job of learning and



JIMMY SHADRICK

Parent Involvement

teaching if the surroundings were more pleasant.

"We're not knocking the school board because they have just so much money to work with, but we wanted to experiment and see what a fixed-up room would do for the moral of the kids and teachers," he said.

One room is being decorated by the boosters and the students are refinishing their own desks. Valences are being made for windows and a new paint job is slated for the walls.

The boosters have gotten carpet for the administrative offices and front lobby and have hung flower baskets in the lunchroom.

"We have people calling up, asking what they can do to help. It's fantastic the way this thing has caught on. When you get a bunch of parents willing to work on Saturdays and get involved and help the school instead of knocking them, then you've really got a good thing," said the booster president.

Shadrick said he had always take the public school system and classroom teacher for granted until this year.

"I've come to have a lot of admiration and respect for the teachers. Our teachers don't receive the recognition and thanks they deserve for the jobs they do. We are behind our faculty and intend to show them," he explained.

A special assembly was held for Mary Wall Sallias Mahone's teacher of the year. The booster club gave Mrs. Wall a \$100 savings bond, red roses and a citation.

Shadrick said the potential for an active booster club is at every school in the system. "I believe you'll find the par-

ents who have children at the other schools here just as willing to work and help the teachers and school system as we are," he said.

"Most people will put down prejudices and other emotions when they see the good that comes out of working together for the children like this."

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Valdosta Senior Is Named District Winner In Contest

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A Valdosta High School senior, Nancy Rogers, has been named the Eighth Congressional winner in the nationwide Senate Youth program.

The daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Rogers, the student is among 12 Georgians competing for \$1,000 scholarships to be awarded to the top two picked from the state.

The contest is sponsored by The State Department and state departments of education.

Miss Rogers was among hundreds of high school seniors in Georgia to take a test on government and current events.

She and the other 11 state hopefuls were interviewed by State Department of Education officials in Atlanta this week.

"We were interviewed separately on different issues to see how we stood on certain things," said Miss Rogers.

Besides the \$1,000 scholarships, the two state finalists also receive trips to Washington, D. C., for a week.

Miss Rogers, editor of the VHS newspaper, The 'Dosta Outlook, said she doesn't think the change in laws to allow 18-



NANCY ROGERS
'Senate Youth'

year-olds to vote will affect the outcome of many elections. Georgia 18 - year - olds have been voting since 1942.

"Not that many people really exercise the right to vote and there are more conservative thinkers than we realize," she said.

She is a member of the Student Council, the Beta Club, president of the Tri-Hi-Y and a basketball cheerleader.

Bounds Is Back In Passing Lead

By ELLWOOD MOYER

COLUMBUS — Valdosta's Stanley Bounds is the leading passer and Monroe's John Jackson is the top rusher in Region 1-AAA, but both have plenty of competition.

Bounds leads the high school football league's aerial parade with 73 completions in 137 tries for 1,461 yards. But right behind him are Crisp County's Danny Blizzard (84-180--1,247) and Moultrie's Ray Goff (69-148--1,223).

Jackson has picked up 752 yards along the ground on 126 carries, but right on his heels are Thomasville's Adolphus Warren (129 - 685) and Tift County's Theophilus Bryant (119-661).

Department leaders and figures on other Valdosta and Lowndes players follow:

Rushing			
	Car.	Net	Avg.
1. Jackson, Monroe	126	752	5.97
2. Warren, Thomasville	129	685	5.31
3. Bryant, Tift	119	661	5.55
4. Cowart, Lowndes	108	541	5.01
5. Carmichael, Tift	106	487	4.59
6. Roberts, Bainbridge	87	448	5.15
7. Howard, Bainbridge	79	403	5.10
8. Lamar, Moultrie	79	381	4.82
9. Green, Dougherty	82	366	4.46
10. Hardin, Albany	73	335	4.45
11. Long, Bainbridge	75	335	4.47
12. Daniels, Valdosta	48	335	6.98
13. Deiter, Albany	65	333	5.12
14. O'Neal, Valdosta	46	316	6.87
15. Bounds, Valdosta	52	314	6.04
16. Harris, Lowndes	53	265	5.00
31. McCaskill, Valdosta	36	201	5.58
32. Linahan, Lowndes	44	200	4.55
36. Morrison, Valdosta	24	142	5.92
37. Metts, Lowndes	43	134	3.12
40. Williams, Lowndes	31	124	4.00
49. Savage, Valdosta	17	98	5.76
57. Parker, Valdosta	8	50	6.25
63. Henry, Lowndes	11	29	2.64
67. Burgman, Lowndes	10	24	2.40
77. Whitfield, Valdosta	10	6	0.60

Passing			
	Att.	Comp.	Yds.
1. Bounds, Valdosta	137	73	1461
2. Blizzard, Crisp Co.	180	84	1247
3. Goff, Moultrie	148	69	1223
4. Howard, Albany	109	42	616
5. Spencer, Monroe	67	30	525
6. Linahan, Lowndes	84	33	462
15. Parker, Valdosta	12	7	146
18. Hilton, Valdosta	24	8	78
19. Thomas, Lowndes	11	2	72

Completions			
	Cbs.	Yds	Td's
1. Rome, Valdosta	35	803	10
2. Rea, Moultrie	23	497	5
3. Johnson, Albany	27	488	4
4. Dixon, Crisp Co.	29	481	4
5. Lucas, Monroe	16	380	6
8. Daniels, Valdosta	8	231	2
11. Rountree, Valdosta	12	193	1
14. Daniels, Lowndes	9	169	1
15. Bradley, Valdosta	7	130	3
16. Savage, Valdosta	8	122	0

Interceptions			
	Inter.	Ret.	
1. Humphrey, Dougherty	5	127	
2. Henderson, Tift Co.	3	78	
3. Williams, Dougherty	1	76	
4. Goff, Moultrie	2	75	
5. Parker, Valdosta	3	73	
6. Sumerall, Dougherty	3	64	
7. Bowdery, Thomasville	4	64	

Punts			
	Punts	Avg.	
1. Bounds, Valdosta	12	42.08	
2. Long, Bainbridge	11	39.09	
3. Goff, Moultrie	24	37.67	
4. Howard, Albany	33	37.60	
5. Morris, Tift Co.	31	36.81	
13. Barnes, Lowndes	24	30.79	

Punt Returns			
	Ret.	Yds.	
1. Rome, Valdosta	16	142	
2. Lamar, Moultrie	7	114	
3. Hearn, Crisp Co.	13	106	
4. Chatraw, Bainbridge	10	84	
5. Dixon, Crisp County	4	67	
6. Burgam, Lowndes	2	51	
7. Graham, Tift County	4	48	
8. Thomas, Lowndes	7	44	

Kick-off Returns			
	Ret.	Yds.	
1. Roberts, Bainbridge	8	295	
2. Green, Dougherty	9	291	
3. Filmore, Thomasville	10	242	
4. Baker, Westover	8	240	
5. Dixon, Crisp Co.	12	239	
14. Bradley, Valdosta	1	90	
20. Daniels, Lowndes	5	59	
21. Thomas, Lowndes	4	58	

Scoring			
	Td's	PAT's	Tot'l.
Bounds, Valdosta	15	2	92
Jackson, Monroe	8	2	68
Rome, Valdosta	10	4	64
Parker, Valdosta	2	39	51
Lucas, Monroe	8	0	48
Daniels, Valdosta	7	0	42
Hammock, Moultrie	6	2	40
Roberts, Bainbridge	6	0	36
Coward, Lowndes	6	0	36
Warren, Thomasville	6	0	36
O'Neal, Valdosta	4	0	24
Bradley, Valdosta	4	0	24
Linahan, Lowndes	3	0	18
Rountree, Valdosta	3	0	18

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PREP POLLS

W. Rome Again No. 1 in AA

By DAVID DAVIDSON

Atlanta Journal Prep Editor

West Rome has regained the No. 1 position in the Class AA prep football Top Ten Poll this week after Statesboro, No. 1 last week, was defeated by Thomson last Friday night.

West Rome earlier this season was forced to share the top spot with Dykes High of Atlanta, and when Dykes lost two games on successive weekends, Statesboro took Dykes' place as a No. 1 companion.

Although West Rome does not enjoy a unanimous first place vote by the nine sportswriters on The Journal's panel, it does hold a comfortable margin. Picking up seven first place votes, West Rome collected 176 points, only four shy of the maximum 180, with 20 points awarded for a first place vote, 18 for second, 16 for third, etc.

The nearest rival in the AA poll now is North Fulton, which was awarded one first and collected 162 points. Thomson, which

The Atlanta Journal Top Ten (Top Three in Class C) Prep Football Polls, with 20 points awarded for first place vote, 18 for second, 16 for third, etc., the team's record and the number of first place votes in parenthesis:

CLASS AAA	
1. Valdosta 9-0 (9)	180
2. Warner Robins 8-0-1	162
3. Lakeside 7-1	140
4. (tie) Baker 8-1	92
and Macon Central 8-1	92
6. Avondale 7-1-1	140
7. Wayne Co. 9-1	62
8. Groves 8-1	62
9. (tie) Benedictine 9-1	28
and Forest Park 7-1-1	28
and Laney 8-1	28
and Henderson 7-1	28

Other teams receiving votes (with record and number of points received in parenthesis): Douglas County (7-2, 6), Elbert County (8-2, 4), Columbia (6-2-1).

CLASS AA	
1. West Rome 9-0 (7)	176
2. North Fulton 9-0 (1)	162

moved into ninth place this week, drew the other first place ballot.

Lakeshore, Fitzgerald and Russell make up the Nos. 2, 4 and 5 positions, while unbeaten Mary Persons, Statesboro, East Rome (beaten 31-0 by West Rome, East's first loss of the season last Friday), Thomson and Stephens County make up the second five.

In AAA, Valdosta still is the unanimous No. 1 choice of the voters. Valdosta may

3. Lakeshore 8-0-1	136
5. Russell 8-1	110
6. Mary Persons 8-0-1	76
7. Stateboro 8-1	74
8. East Rome 9-1	62
9. Thomson 7-2 (1)	42
10. Stephens Co. 9-1	28

Other teams receiving votes (with record and number of points received in parenthesis): Rossville (7-2, 22), Woodward Academy (7-2, 22), Bainesville (7-1-1, 14), Early County (7-1-1, 12), Cairo (7-1-1, 12), Shamrock (8-1, 6), Clarkston (5-3-1, 4), Westminster (5-3-1, 2), South Hall (6-1-2-2).

CLASS A	
1. Carrollton 9-0 (9)	180
2. Turner Co. 9-0	162
3. Rockmart 9-0	140
4. Westwood 9-0	122
5. Metter 7-1	100
6. Vidalia 7-1	78
7. Manchester 8-1	72
8. Jefferson 7-2	36
9. Bradwell Institute 6-2	32
10. Mur. v. Co. 7-2	30

have the best prep football team in the country.

Warner Robins moved into the No. 2 position after a sound 23-7 victory over last week's No. 2 team, Macon Central, last Friday.

Lakeside, which very likely will not even get into the state playoffs because of a single loss to Henderson in Region 8-AAA, was third, while Macon Central and Baker were tied for the fourth position.

Avondale, which likely

Other teams receiving votes (with record and number of points received in parenthesis): Putnam County (7-2, 12), Aquinas (6-3, 6), Seminole County (7-2, 2).

CLASS B	
1. Southeast Bulloch 9-0 (9)	180
2. Bowdon 7-1-1	146
3. Lovett 7-1	138
4. Duluth 8-1	118
5. Oconee Co. 7-1	106
6. (tie) Glennville 8-2	74
and Montgomery Co. 7-1-1	74
8. Trion 7-2-1	60
9. Brantley Co. 8-1	52
10. Liberty Co. 7-2	32

Other teams receiving votes (with record and number of points received in parenthesis): Charlton County (5-4, 6), Central-Carrollton (7-2, 4), Macon County (8-1, 2).

CLASS C	
1. Mt. de Sales 9-0 (8)	178
2. Adairsville 9-1 (1)	164
3. Loganville 6-1-1	146

No other teams received votes.

will face a playoff with Columbia in Region 7-AAA, is No. 6 this week, Wayne County is seventh, Groves eighth, and a four-way tie developed for the No. 9 place. Benedictine, Forest Park, Henderson and Laney all drew 28 points to tie for the No. 9 position in the AAA poll.

A battle this Friday night between Groves and Warner Robins at International City Stadium in Warner Robins should give some indication how the playoffs

should go, since both teams are headed for state. Warner Robins will represent 2-AAA's East Division, while Groves is the 3-AAA Division B representative.

Another big game should be West Rome at Carrollton Friday night, a makeup game for one postponed earlier this season because of racial disturbances in Rome.

Carrollton is the unanimous choice for No. 1 in Class A with a 9-0 record, and is followed by three other teams with 9-0 marks — Turner County, Rockmart and Westwood.

Metter is No. 5 in the Class A poll, Vidalia sixth, Manchester seventh, Jefferson eighth, Bradwell Institute ninth and Murray 10th.

Southeast Bulloch, the only unbeaten class B team remaining in Georgia, received all nine first place votes for a maximum 180 points, far outdistancing Bowdown (7-11), a loser only to Carrollton, though tied by Haralson County.

High School Football Picture by Regions

1. Valdosta (9-0 overall and in the region) has won this region and will play the AAA Region 2 winner on Nov. 26.
2. Warner Robins (8-0 overall; 5-0 in region) has won the east half of the region while Baker (8-1 overall; 5-0 in region) has captured the western crown. The two will play on the 19th for the region crown and a chance to play Valdosta on Nov. 26th.
3. Wayne County (9-1 overall; 6-0 in region) has won the "A" subdivision. Groves (7-1 overall; 6-0 in region) has won the "B" subdivision. The two will meet on the 19th for the right to play the winner of Region 4.
4. Laney (8-1 overall; 4-1 region) currently leads this four-team region but must defeat Baldwin (0-9 overall) in its next outing to win the crown. Laney has one loss while Richmond Academy (6-3 overall; 3-2 region) and Butler (6-3 overall; 3-2 region) have two each.
5. Douglas County (7-2 overall; 6-1 region) has won this region pending the outcome of a protest charging it played an ineligible player in the first game of the year. If the protest goes against the Tigers, Marietta (6-3 overall; 4-2 re-

gion), South Cobb (4-3 region; 5-3 overall) and Dalton (7-2 overall; 5-2 region) all have chances at the title. But Douglas County may still have the best shot at the title. The winner of the title will meet the winner of Region 6.
6. Forest Park (7-1-1 in region and overall) has won this one with no question marks. The Panthers will take on the winner of Region 5 on Nov. 26th.
7. Things shape up for a Nov. 19th playoff between Avondale (7-1-1 overall; 5-0-1 region) and Columbia (6-2-1 overall; 5-0-1 region) for the region crown. The two tied 3-3 earlier in the season in a hotly contested game. The region winner will play the Region 8 winner on the 26th.
8. Henderson (7-1 overall; 6-1 region) and Lakeside (9-1 overall; 6-1 region) will end the season tied if Henderson can down Briarcliff and Tucker and Lakeside earlier in the season and that will give the Cougars the title and a chance to meet the Region 7 winner.
9. Fitzgerald (8-1 overall; 5-0 region), and Ware County (8-1 overall; 5-0 region) are tied for the lead in the East half of the region, but meet Friday night and that should settle one half of the region. Cairo and Early County (both 7-1-1 overall; 5-0-1 region) are tied for the lead in the West half and those two teams met and tied last week. If they meet Friday night, region rules will determine a winner.
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Georgia Military and Treutlen County they will end the season tied. And since the two tied when they met, a playoff will decide the winner.
13. Bowdon (7-1-1 overall; 5-0 region) has sewed up this region and will meet the winner of Region 6 on Nov. 26.
14. Trion (7-2 region; 7-0 overall) has won the region and will play Bowdon on Nov. 26.
15. St. Joseph (5-4 overall; 2-0 region) has won and will take on the winner of Region 8 on Nov. 26.
16. Duluth (8-1 overall; 5-0 region) won the west half of the region when it upset Lovett and Oconee County (7-1 overall; 4-0 region) has nailed down the East half. The two meet Nov. 19 for the right to battle St. Joseph on Nov. 26.

17. Macon County (8-1 overall; 2-0 region) is in control of this two team region and will play the Region 2 pennant winner on Nov. 26.
18. Charlton County (5-2 overall; 5-0 region) has won and will meet Macon County Nov. 26.
19. Southeast Bulloch (9-0 overall; 7-0 region) survived what may be the region in its class and will meet the winner of Region 4 on Nov. 26.
20. Montgomery County (7-1-1 overall; 4-1 region) win games with

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Eight Teams Left In 'AAA' Ranks

Back in early September a total of 81 teams left the starter's gate in the run for Georgia's 1971 state Class AAA high school football championship.

Now there are just eight teams left in the running, four in the southern half of the state and four in the northern section. All are region winners and they will hook up in a playoff series which will decide the state championship.

Survivors in the south are Valdosta (10-0) from Region 1-AAA; Warner Robins (9-0-2) from 2-AAA; Groves of Garden City (9-1-1) from 3-AAA and Laney of Augusta (9-1) from 4-AAA.

At the time this was written three region races in the north had been decided. The winners were South Cobb (7-2) of 5-AAA; Forest Park (8-1-1) of 6-AAA and Henderson (9-1) of 8-AAA.

To be decided in a special playoff Saturday night between Avondale (8-1-1) and Columbia (7-2-1) was the top spot in 7-AAA.

Fans in this area are primarily interested in what coach Wright Bazemore's Valdosta Wildcats have in store for them.



GLASSMAN

This coming Friday they will get their first taste of playoff action when they meet Warner Robins' Demons in a first round game here.

Meanwhile, Groves and Laney will tangle. Then the Valdosta-Warner Robins victor will go against the Groves-Laney winner next week with the South Georgia "AAA" title on the line.

Tie-Breaker Plan

The South Georgia titleholder, in turn, will tangle with the North Georgia survivor in the state championship battle on Dec. 11.

Valdosta, as noted, will be the host for its game with Robins. Under a Georgia High School Association rotation plan, VHS will continue as the host team as long as it stays in the playoffs, which hopefully will be all the way to the state finals.

Since the playoff schedule must be followed on a week-to-week basis, there is a special statistical plan used to break ties which might occur in playoff games before the state championship affair.

If a tie occurs one point will go to the team with the most penetrations inside the other's 20 yard line, one point will go to the team with the most first downs and one point will go to the team with the greater net yardage from scrimmage.

After the formula is applied if there is still a tie, the victor will be the team with the greater net yardage.

Demons Are Tough

There will be a pair of official statisticians keeping the figures which will count in each playoff game.

When it comes time to play the state championship game, the statistical formula will be discarded and if a tie occurs co-champions will be declared.

That happened in 1969 when Valdosta and Athens finished in a 26-26 deadlock and shared the state crown. Anyway, the statistical system will be used should Valdosta and Warner Robins finish all even in the scoring department here on this coming Friday night.

You'll be hearing more about Warner Robins before it comes here to play, but for now let it be noted that the Demons have a team which is rated far superior to any that the Wildcats went against in their march to the 1-AAA diadem.

VHS Students In Knots

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A group of Valdosta High School students are all tied up in knots over their latest project in the art services class on campus.

Taught by Patsy Smith, the art services class is a new wrinkle in the VHS art department this year.

And the students are tackling everything from poster work to wall hangings. But it's the wall hanging and belt assignment that has the students in knots.

The knotty assignment is part of the macrame work, creative knotting, which the class is studying. Many are already tying up the loose ends of their project while others are just getting started.

The work is on display in the art services room off the school cafeteria.

When the assignment for the work was handed out, Mrs. Smith instructed the students to bring a ball of twine, a long stick, strong tape and lots of patience.

Several of the boys in the class caught on to the knot tying quicker than the girls.

Durwiod Black, 15-year-old sophomore, made a belt for his project.

Dorothy Twell, a senior, said macrame isn't hard once the basic knots are mastered.

"A lot of people can go really fast in this work and do some great looking things," said Annette Norris, a senior.

"But patience is needed. And Mrs. Smith was right when she said we'd need lots of it," said Black.



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Black, Misses Twell and Norris Knot: Many Are Tying Up Loose Ends

DE Staffs 2 Youth Clubs

By MARY CROUSE

A project which is intended to help local youngsters and expose high school students to the field of youth activities work, is the latest undertaking by the Distributive Education Club at Valdosta High School.

Tony Dasher and JoLynn Johnston, both VHS seniors, are coordinating the project which is to be the first week in December.

The youth activities project is to be conducted at the Valdost Boys Club and the Girls Club. Dasher is to handle the boys club while Miss Johnston is responsible for the girls' activities.

"What we are doing is volunteer work down there. Both clubs are understaffed and we'd be helping them in the programs," explained Dasher.

Miss Johnston, state DE secretary, said the idea is to get more youngsters involved in activities at the two clubs.

"We'll be setting up various team activities and have a monthly winner and then a big winner at the end of the year,"

said Dasher.

Miss Johnston said a trophy is to be presented to the top winner at the end of the year.

Miss Johnston and Dasher's jobs are to find out what is going on each week at the two clubs and assign students for the one afternoon a week DE program.

"We'll be doing this until school is out in June. Each person in the club will go at least once so that everyone will have a chance to participate," said Miss Johnston.

Students are to be assigned each week according to their special talents and abilities, she said.

"For example the week they have dancing at the girls club we would schedule somebody like Carol Reddick who actually teaches dancing.

"The same would be true



JOLYNN JOHNSTON
Assigns Students

for the week they cook or sew. We wouldn't send anybody



TONY DASHER
Big Brother

that wasn't familiar with what was planned for that partic-

ular week," said Miss Johnston.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Johnston, the student said the idea of high schoolers helping at the two clubs could mean a lot to the youngsters.

"We'd be like big brothers or sister to the kids. A lot of people don't show much interest in kids at home or anywhere else. We want to do something about that by helping at the two clubs," said Dasher.

The son of Mrs. Roy Dasher and the late Mr. Dasher, he explained that the project is to be entered in the project of the year competition for the state DE award.

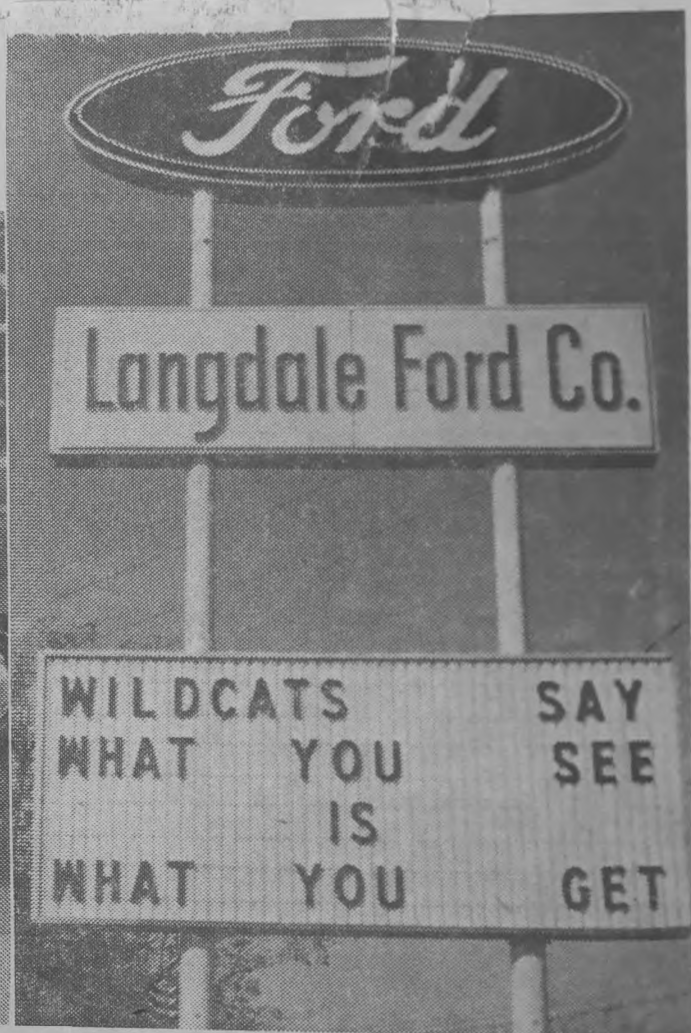
"We're hoping to provide a community service and also find out what is going on at the two clubs by familiarizing ourselves with the activities," said Miss Johnston.

And if the club happens to win a state award for the effort, that's alright, too, she said.

Lookout, Laney! The Wildcats Are Planning a Welcome for You



All the folks at Langdale Ford Company are Valdosta High School Wildcat boosters. This display on the showroom floor won first place for Langdale Ford. The players wear the numbers of Stanley Bounds and Stanford Rome, passing and receiving for a goal-to-goal touchdown. Ten signs carried the scores of Valdosta's perfect season to date. To be added is the 35-6 romp over



Warner Robin's Demons last Friday evening. Langdale Ford's marquee sign says: "Wildcats say, what you see is what you get." Augusta's Laney is to be entertained here next Friday night. Turner Johnson was a leading inspiration behind the Langdale Ford displays.



Stanley Bounds, number 15, runs for a long gain against the Demons last Friday night.

VHS Club's Survey Getting Underway

By MARY CROUSE

Members of the Valdosta High School Distributive Education Club plan to begin work in their annual studies in marketing next week with the hopes of working up interest in a better bus service and the standardization of school supplies.

DE coordinator Norman Greene said the VHS students are to be working in seven marketing areas.

They are: food industry, variety stores, home furnishings, automotive and petroleum, department stores, service industry and speciality shops.

"We hope to come up with some interesting findings and do some good for the community as well," said Greene.

He said that the bus problem is to be tackled under the service department this year.

"We feel there is a need for a good bus line here to serve more people. I think it would be profitable because there are certainly people who would utilize it," said Greene.

He said the students plan to conduct a random survey around town to determine how many people would use the proposed bus line and why they feel a need for it.

"We already know there are quite a few people who have transportation problems including working people, Valdosta State College students and city



NORMAN GREENE
'To Do Some Good'

school kids," said the coordinator.

A move to standardize school supplies in the variety stores here is also on the marketing agenda, he said.

"This would benefit the customers, teachers and store managers. There has been concern about this for some time because school supplies are a tremendous problem for stu-

dents and stores," said Greene.

Some stores are left each year with most of their stock because they don't order the right supplies while students must go from store to store looking for exactly what the teachers call for, he said.

"Each teacher wants a different kind of notebook and the stores don't know what to buy each year. Our idea is to set up an advisory board to work with the stores and faculties in setting up standards for the supplies.

"The students plan to survey VHS students, Lowndes High kids, faculty members and store personnel on this," explained Greene.

In the food industry, a survey is to be conducted to determine how much knowledge the general public has about water pollution and what effect phosphate detergents have on their purchases of household cleaning supplies.

The students are to survey shoppers in the supermarkets and take a random sampling in the residential areas to find out if the consumers are changing detergent brands.

In the home furnishing area the students want to determine the effect that prefabricated houses have on buyers.

The prefabricated houses are

those with kitchen appliances, wall or floor coverings, bathroom fixtures and light fixtures included.

"We want to see if the new homebuyers would rather pick out their own appliances and things or if they like everything included in the deal," said Greene.

Those who have bought new houses in the past year are to be surveyed for this project.

The automotive and petroleum division will have the students interviewing customers at gas stations here, said Greene.

"We want to find out why people buy a particular brand of gas and why some people are going to independent dealers rather than major oil companies," he said.

The students also want to find out if it would be feasible for the major oil companies to set up minimum service stations.

"We want to find out how the public feels about paying for services it isn't getting," said Green.

In the department store project the students want to determine what influences the shoppers to patronize shops on specific days or hours.

The students also want a reaction to a four day work week.

The speciality shop is to be centered on the toy stores here

and the service they do or don't render during Christmas.

"We want to find out what effect their service has on the Christmas shopper. We want to find out what the shoppers want from the toys stores in the way of service," said Greene.

The actual surveys are to be completed by the second week in December. The students are to compile the data and put it into manual form for distribution to the local merchants and the district DE Club competition.

Students involved in the seven marketing areas include: Jo-Lynn Johnston and Joyce Webb, department store; Sherrie Tefteller and Donna Lynn McCrannie, home furnishings; Mike Gandy, Jimmy Barnes, Gerald Cheshire, Margie Dasher and

Mark Gilliland, automotive and petroleum.

Ann Watson, Vickie English, Joe Eunice, Georgia Hinson and Faith Wetherington, variety stores; Raymond Sutton, Nancy Parrish, David Selph, Bobby Norris and Sammy Kent, food

Brenda Ward, Debbie Cauthan, Vickie Sandsberry and Marsha Peoples, speciality shops and Billy Gilliland, Ronald Butler and Joe Stephens, service.

For the first time the students are competing against each other in the marketing reports.

"That's why more than one student is assigned to each project. We wanted them to be competitive on the local level. This gives the students the opportunity to have experience related to marketing and compete at the same time," said Greene.

International Festival

Mexico Invites VHS Band

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta High School Marchin' Cats have been invited to represent the state in the first Invitational Mexican Band Festival to be held in Mexico City next spring.

Band director Frank Butenschon said he has written festival officials that the local musicians are interested in participating.

"But I've made it clear that we have to see that we can get the financial end of it taken care of. We must also have the Valdosta Board of Education's permission," he explained.

Butenschon met with the executive board of the VHS Band Boosters Wednesday night at the home of the president, the Rev. Wade Bell.

He told the group the Marchin' Cats are scheduled to participate April 20-24 in the month-long festival.

These are also the dates for the spring holidays in the city school system.

The Mexican officials must have a definite answer to the invitation by Dec. 15, he said. The VHS band is one of about 20 groups to be invited by the festival committee.

Butenschon said the trip is to cost each of the 148 band members in grades 10-12 about \$175. This includes the round trip jet fare from Jacksonville, Fla., all meals, hotel accommodations, tips, tours and concerts, he said.

"It is a fantastically small price for five days and I would love to see our band go. But we have to have the money and we are definitely not going to solicit handouts from the local merchants. They have been so terrific about helping us in the past that we can't go to them again," said the director.

Butenschon's appeal for state money to finance the \$25,900 trip has been turned down by Gov. Jimmy Carter.

"I thought that since Atlanta now has flights to Mexico and that we'd be the official band from the state that we might be able to get state help but we didn't," he said.

Butenschon has also asked Second District Rep. Dawson Mathis of Albany for help in securing possible federal aid. "We are hopeful about this and if we get turned down there we still aren't giving up on it," he said.

Butenschon said the band students might be able to earn the money themselves with help from the boosters.

"I just wish somebody would give us a challenge gift and let us roll up our sleeves and go to work and match it," said Bell, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church.

"This is just too good an opportunity to turn down and I feel we should exhaust every means possible to go," said booster Jud Godwin.

The band has already accepted an invitation to play in the Greatest Band in Dixie contest in New Orleans, La., during Mardi Gras. The Marchin' Cats won the title three years ago.

"We are committed to this and are going. We can't just say 'no, we won't go' at this stage of the game because something else has come up. I'd sure love for us to go but we have to have board permission and have some plans for

getting the money," said the director.

The band would play in several concerts and go on tours in the Mexico City area.

Dr. Sam Fox, general chairman of the festival, said the Marchin' Cats were selected for the participation because festival officials feel the band is one of the outstanding groups in the United States.

The festival is sponsored by the Mexican government and the Mexican National Tourist Council. Participating bands are to be evaluated on their performance by judges from the U. S. and Mexico.

"I wish we had known about this a lot sooner. But Dr. Fox has assured me that if we see that we can't swing it financially this year that he will guarantee us a spot next year," said Butenschon.

Fox and other festival officials were scheduled to meet with Butenschon and booster directors Wednesday night.

"I told them not to come right now because we had nothing definite about the money situation. They'll be here if and when we can get going on some financial venture," said the band director.

Laney Deserves Shot at Valdosta

SAVANNAH, Ga. — Once again, the South Georgia AAA football battle will be between Augusta and Valdosta, thanks to Laney's 20-6 win over Groves.

Last year, Laney had to take a back seat to Richmond Academy in Augusta, but this time around Laney's on top.

Laney quarterback Brian Oatman did most of the damage to the Groves defense, passing for one touchdown and scoring another himself.

The Wildcats got on the scoreboard midway the first period, when Oatman engineered a drive from deep in his own territory. The touchdown was a 39-yard pass to Ralph Kimmerman with 7:50 left to play in the first quarter.

Groves evened the score at 6-6 before halftime, but credit the touchdown to Groves defense. Linebacker Kenneth Wright picked off an Oatman pass at the Laney 45 and returned it for the only score of the night.

Groves tried a two-point conversion, but the pass failed.

The 6-6 tie lasted until the final period when Laney's defense gave Oatman the ball at the Groves three.

Groves had lined up for a punt on third down, but faked it and Greg Hatcher tried a desperation pass. It failed. This time Groves was forced to punt and William Hobbs blocked it and recovered at the three.

Oatman broke the tie two plays later and Laney was on its way to a win.

The final Laney score came with 1:48 left to play when Richard Lynn broke loose for a 22-yard jaunt and the final score, Kimmerman went for two this time and made it.

SCORE BOARD

PREP FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS CLASS AAA Quarterfinals

Valdosta 35	Warner Robins 6
Laney 20	Groves 6
Forest Park 38	South Cobb 6
Avondale 10	Henderson 8

CLASS AA Quarterfinals

Fitzgerald 20	Thomson 6
Westminster 7	Lakeside 6
North Fulton 47	Turner 6
West Rome 14	Gainesville 7

CLASS A Quarterfinals

Vidalia 26	Putnam Co. 13
Roswell 23	Jefferson 6

CLASS B Semifinals

St. Joseph 39	Oconee Co. 0
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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

BOYS	
Washington 63	Bass 52
Douglas 56	Murphy 36
Baker-Columbus 73	Central Phoenix 45
Lithonia 65	Druid Hills 57
GIRLS	
Lithonia 55	Druid Hills 51
Douglas 46	Murphy 40
Washington 35	Bass 21

Saturday Night

By DAVID DAVIDSON
Atlanta Journal Prep Editor

Valdosta High, which has absolutely steamrolled 12 straight opponents this season, entertains Avondale High in the State Class AAA championship football game Saturday night at Cleveland Field beginning at 8 p.m.

Coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcats flattened Laney, 54-20, last Friday night for the South Georgia AAA title, while Saturday night Avondale bulldozed past Forest Park, 19-10, for the North half title.

Avondale, after losing its first game of the season to Butler High of Huntsville, Ala., has not tasted defeat since, although the Blue Devils did petition to have a 3-0 win over Columbia declared a tie. That tie created a deadlock at the top of the Region 7-AAA standings, and in a playoff game Avondale won, 15-14.

AFTER ESCAPING the region playoff, Avondale nipped Henderson in the quarterfinals, 10-8, and led Forest Park by only 13-10 until a touchdown just seconds from the end.

In the Class AA state championship match, it will be an all-Atlanta affair.

North Fulton won its 12th straight game without a loss last Saturday by stunning previously unbeaten West Rome, 21-0, for the North Georgia title.

In the South Georgia championship game, aggressive Westminster plowed past Fitzgerald, 14-8.

The state championship game will be played Friday

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PLAYOFF SCHEDULE

CLASS A
North Georgia Championship
(At Sandy Springs High Stadium)
Roswell (8-4) vs. Carrollton (10-1).
LAST WEEKEND'S RESULTS

CLASS AAA
North Georgia Championship
Avondale 19 Forest Park 10
South Georgia Championship
Valdosta 54 Laney 20

CLASS AA
North Georgia Championship
North Fulton 21 West Rome 0
South Georgia Championship
Westminster 14 Fitzgerald 0

CLASS A
South Georgia Championship
Turner Co. 21 Vidalia 0

CLASS B
North Georgia Championship
Bowdon 33 St. Joseph 0
South Georgia Championship
Southeast Bulloch 27 Macon Co. 26

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perhaps the most balanced Class AA subregion in the state—4-AA South. There was a time at midseason when Westminster had a 3-3-1 record, a period in which 17 players at one time or another were out with injuries.

But Brake's Wildcats came off those injuries and won their last three games to sweep the subregion title, then eliminated Marist, 16-7, for the region title. After that, Westminster defeated previously unbeaten Lakeshore, 7-6, in the state quarter-finals.

night at Memorial Stadium beginning at 8 p.m.

"WE HONESTLY are just glad to be where we are," said Westminster coach Charlie Brake. "It hasn't been easy. This team has overcome injury after injury to key players."

Westminster's path to the state final was not unlike Avondale's—the hard way.

The Wildcats emerged from

Band Sells Handmade Candy Wreaths

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

There are 500 pieces of candy in each of the red and white wreaths.

And every bit is delicious, according to Valdosta High School band students.

The peppermint flavored candies are wired to wreaths and being sold by members of the VHS Marchin' Cats and the Band Boosters.

More than 400 of the wreaths have already been sold but there are still some left, said band student Juli Beck.

The wreaths are \$4 each and are designed to hang on the outside or inside doors.

Visitors to homes displaying the wreaths are encouraged to pull off a piece of the candy.

"It doesn't hurt the looks of the wreath a bit," said booster member Joyce Chitty.

The wreaths are one of the fund raising projects of the boosters and band members to help finance band activities this academic year.

Other projects include a special souvenir football and band program listing honors won by the grid team and musicians.

Wreaths are on sale in the VHS band room on campus or can be bought from any booster member.



—Times Staff Photo

Sweets Galore: Miss Beck Surrounded by Marieh Johnson, Phyllis Jones and Candy.



-Times Staff Photo by Robert Winter III

Looking For Footing

Valdosta High Wildcat head coach Wright Bazemore checks the turf at Cleveland Field, hoping the puddles dry up by 8 p.m. That's when the 'Cats entertain Laney High of Augusta in the second round of the state Class AAA football playoffs. Two days of rain followed in some places by ice

have postponed until Saturday night playoff contests between Turner County and Vidalia at Lyons, Carrollton at Roswell, North Fulton and West Rome in Atlanta, and Avondale and Forrest Park in Atlanta. The Westminster at Fitzgerald game was still in doubt.

Coaches Present Variety

By JULIAN MILLER
Times Sports Writer

When the Valdosta Wildcats and Avondale Blue Devils take to Cleveland Field here Saturday night for their state Class AAA high school football title game it'll be the experienced vet of playoffs against a newcomer to the championship contest ranks.

Wildcat coach Wright Bazemore is certainly familiar with playoffs of this type. He's been in lots of them since he joined the VHS coaching staff in 1940.

But Avondale's Crawford Kennedy is a newcomer to such doings. In just his second year as head coach at Avondale he's facing his first trip to the title match, but he's been holding his own.

So far this year the Blue Devils have won 11 games, lost only one, to an out-of-state team, and tied one with Columbia, a team the Imps later defeated for the Region 8-AAA crown.

The 35-year-old University of Georgia graduate seems anything but cocky about his chance against the Wildcats Saturday.

Kennedy had very little to say about his Blue Devils and a lot of praise for Bazemore's Wildcats.

"We're basically a running ball club," he admitted. "We haven't thrown that much. We



WRIGHT BAZEMORE
Many Titles



CRAWFORD KENNEDY
First Playoff

know what we read in the papers about Valdosta, and we saw them against Laney. They're tough."

Kennedy played football for Brown High of Atlanta in his prep days and then went to the University of Miami where he played two years before transferring to Georgia.

He didn't play for the Bulldogs, but took up football again upon graduation when he assumed the head coaching position at Druid Hills High of At-

lanta.

After his teams posted a 29-27-4 record in six years, Kennedy took an assistant's position at Avondale in 1969 when the Blue Devils went 11-1, losing to Athens in the first round of the state playoffs, 21-10. Athens went on to tie Valdosta in the state title game, 26-26, that year.

The next season he took over as head coach and his Imps posted an 8-1 record in '70 and are now 11-1-1.

Bazemore's record is the most impressive in Georgia High School football history. Since he took over the helm of the Wildcats in 1941, he has led VHS to 13 state championships, seven of them at the "AAA" level.

A Fitzgerald native, Baze was a standout athlete for the Purple Hurricanes in high school, winning a total of 16 sports letters. He scored 250 points in one season, including two games when he tallied 10 touchdowns in each against Montezuma and Waycross.

After high school he attended Mercer University and Georgia Peabody College, earning AB and MA degrees. His first coaching assignment was as an assistant in Waycross, where the Bulldogs went 9-1 in 1938 and 9-2 in '39.

He joined the VHS staff under the late Bobby Hooks as assistant coach in 1940. He took over the Wildcat helm in 1941, but served three years in the Navy in 1943-45 before returning as head coach. He's been here every since.

In his 31 years of coaching, his football teams have posted a 289-43-5 record.

In 1960 he became the first active coach ever voted into Georgia's High School Hall of Fame. In 1969 he was chosen as the National High School Football Coach of the Year.

A Surprise and a Habit Go for Georgia Titles

There could be two Wildcats in Georgia's championship football family after Saturday night, one a surprise, the other a habit.

The habit is Valdosta, which will seek its 14th state championship when Avondale visits Cleveland Field for a Saturday night showdown in AAA competition.

The surprise is Class AA Westminster of Atlanta. This gang of Wildcats stood 3-3-1 after midseason in perhaps the toughest AA region in the state, and had 17 injured players on the sidelines.

They overcame the injuries, however, and won the last three to capture a subregional title.

The Westminster Wildcats are not riding a six-game win streak, having dumped Marist, Marist, 16-7, for the region championship, edged unbeaten Lakeshore in quarterfinal action and whipped Fitzgerald, 14-8, in the semifinals last week.

NEIGHBORING Fulton County will be Westminster's foe tonight in Atlanta and Fulton brings an undefeated, untied mark of 13-0 into the title affair.

After two postponements, top ranked Carrollton finally met and conquered the Class A defending state champion — Roswell — 14-0 Monday night.

Running back Jackie Crowder scored on touchdown runs of 61 and 34 yards in the second half to lead the Trojans to victory.

Carrollton will host tonight's championship game and the



BOB PRICE

T-U Sports Writer

invader will be undefeated Turner County.

Unbeaten Southeast Bulloch scrambled to a 27-26 win over Macon County at Montezuma last Friday while their title opponent Bowdon was crushing St. Joseph, 33-0. Tonight's Class B championship affair is ticketed for Brooklet.

VALDOSTA'S Saturday night opposition will be another team which chose the tough road to the finals. The Blue Devils of Avondale dropped their opener to Butler High of Huntsville, Ala., and then survived several narrow victories, stopping favored Forest Park, 19-10 in the semifinals.

"A team with the mettle to get by in close ones, is a team to watch," says Valdosta's Wright Bazemore, who'll be winding up his 30th year as coach at VHS. There's been speculation that this could be Bazemore's final year, but the wily mentor who is the only active high school coach in Georgia's football hall of fame says, "I'll let everyone know when I make a decision, and that everyone includes me."

Don vs Andy?

QBs Recall Last Title Game Here

By JULIAN MILLER
Times Staff Writer

This year's state Class AAA football clash between Valdosta's Wildcats and Avondale's Blue Devils at Cleveland Field Saturday certainly brings back memories of days gone by.

And two people who should have a lot of memories are Don Golden and Andy Johnson. Golden was the Wildcat quarterback two years ago in the last title game played here and Johnson led the Athens Trojans to a come-from-behind 26-26 tie.

For the Trojans that year it was a "victory", for they were big underdogs to the undefeated Wildcats who had until then allowed only seven points to be scored on them.

But for the Wildcats, no matter how many times they were told it was a tie, they felt like losers.

That wasn't the last time Golden and Johnson were to get together. The following summer they were on opposite sides in the Georgia High School Association's All-Star game and the press was building up the Golden-Johnson duel again . . . even though neither player . . .



DON GOLDEN
Led The Cats



ANDY JOHNSON
Like A Win

weren't scared though. None of us were overconfident, but we knew it was a real important game.

"I had heard a lot about Don before the game. Seems like everyone was writing it up like a game between me and him. I guess it was in a way.

"But later on they wrote the all-star game up the same way. I didn't think it should have been that way then. There were too many good athletes there."

The two players found themselves mixed-up in the Johnson-Golden contest again when they both went out for quarterback at Georgia.

"People kept putting us up a-

gainst each other when we got here," Golden said. "They were trying to build up a rivalry between us. But it's gone now. We get along fine."

Both gridders agreed they have played only one other game with as much importance as that 1969 clash at Cleveland Field. That was three weeks ago when Georgia downed Georgia Tech 28-24, for another "state championship."

And now they're heading together into the Gator Bowl, where they'll meet North Carolina. Ordinarily that should be their biggest game . . . but it isn't. Both agree you can't top those state championships.

Indiana almost wiped out a 19-point Kentucky lead but bowed to the Colonels 103-101 in a game which saw four technical fouls charged against the Pacers. . . .
elsewhere in the ABA Thursday night, Virginia mipped the New York Nets 115-114 in overtime and Pittsburgh downed Dallas 124-113.
In the National Basketball

**BAZEMORE ERA
AT VALDOSTA
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—Times Staff Photo

Happy Santa

Students at Valdosta Junior High School got a special treat Friday when Santa Claus paid them a visit. Santa, teacher John Fisher in disguise, gave out candy St. Nicks to all students who had perfect attendance during the

second six weeks of school. Fisher, a Negro, volunteered for the job of portraying the jolly fat Christmas elf. The project of rewarding perfect attendance students with treats is sponsored by the Student Council.

Wildcat Cagers Defeat Moultrie

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

MOULTRIE — A re-adjustment midway the first quarter moved Valdosta's Wildcats to victory, but the Kittens could do little against the powerful Packerettes as Valdosta and Moultrie split a Region 1-AAA basketball twin-bill here Tuesday night.

The 'Cats turned to their defense to stop Moultrie and walked away with a 77-62 victory in their season and Region 1-AAA opener. Meanwhile, the Kittens couldn't catch up with the quick starting Packerettes and fell, 60-40.

Coach Joe Wilson's Wildcats found themselves down, 7-0, mid-way the first quarter. A re-adjustment on defense allowed

the Packers just two more field goals before halftime while Stanford Rome started polishing up his "shooting irons."

Rome, who not only picked the boards clean for 22 rebounds, put 26 points on Valdosta's side of the scoreboard after the 'Cats broke through Moultrie's full-court press.

Wilson praised Rome, Stanley Bounds, Bob Fluit and Bobby Graham as defensive leaders. Bounds was given the assignment of guarding one of Moultrie's leading scorers Ray Goff, and held him to just five free throws and no field goals.

Valdosta's David Demersseman took an accidental blow to the eye and was rewarded with

nine stitches, which Wilson says could sideline him for the time being.

Gene Pate was the leader for the Packers with 20 points.

In the girls game the Packerettes jumped off to a 21-8 first quarter lead and increased it to 41-18 at the half and then just coasted.

Elaine Robinson and Gloria Thomas each scored 13 points to lead coach Joe Mercer's Kittens. But they couldn't keep up with Moultrie's Dale Bridges and Rhonda Demott who scored 22 and 17 points respectively.

In a junior varsity game, Sky Smith chalked up 13 points to lead the Baby Wildcats to a 62-54 victory over Moultrie.

GIRLS

Valdosta	8	18	29	40
Moultrie		21	41	54

VALDOSTA (40) — S. Flanders 5, Robinson 13, Karch 8, Folsom 1, Thomas 12, Durden, Barker, Smith, Hoyle, Nelson, Anderson.

Team totals: field goals 14, free throws 12 of 26, fouls 14.

MOULTRIE (60) — May, Taylor 10, Bridges 22, Demott 17, McGee 5, Turner 2, Hewett 2, McCardie, Lee, Hancock.

Team totals: field goals 26, free throws 8 of 17, fouls 10.

BOYS

Valdosta	10	22	40	77
Moultrie		9	18	37

Valdosta (77) — Peterson 8, Rome 26, Bounds 4, Fluit 4, Demersseman 3, Rowe 10, Rountree 6, Graham 1, Jones, Coachman 2, Nathan 2, Archbald 3, T. Graham 4, Hughes, Lewis 4, Painter, Smith, Hilton.

Team totals: field goals 29, free throws 19 of 34, fouls 26.

MOULTRIE (62) — Johnson 3, Pate 20, Richardson 11, Miller 10, Goff 5, Benton 4, Alred 2, Harrison 7.

Team totals: field goals 22, free throws 18 of 37, fouls 26.

VHS, Lowndes Powers In DE

Valdosta High School is a power in football. That everyone in Georgia knows. But sometimes the fact is overlooked that VHS is also a power in distributive education.

The DE Club has just won another in a long list of best Chapter of the Year awards in the state. In addition, VHS junior Ron Butler was chosen state DE president and club members had a number of winning entries in the project competition.

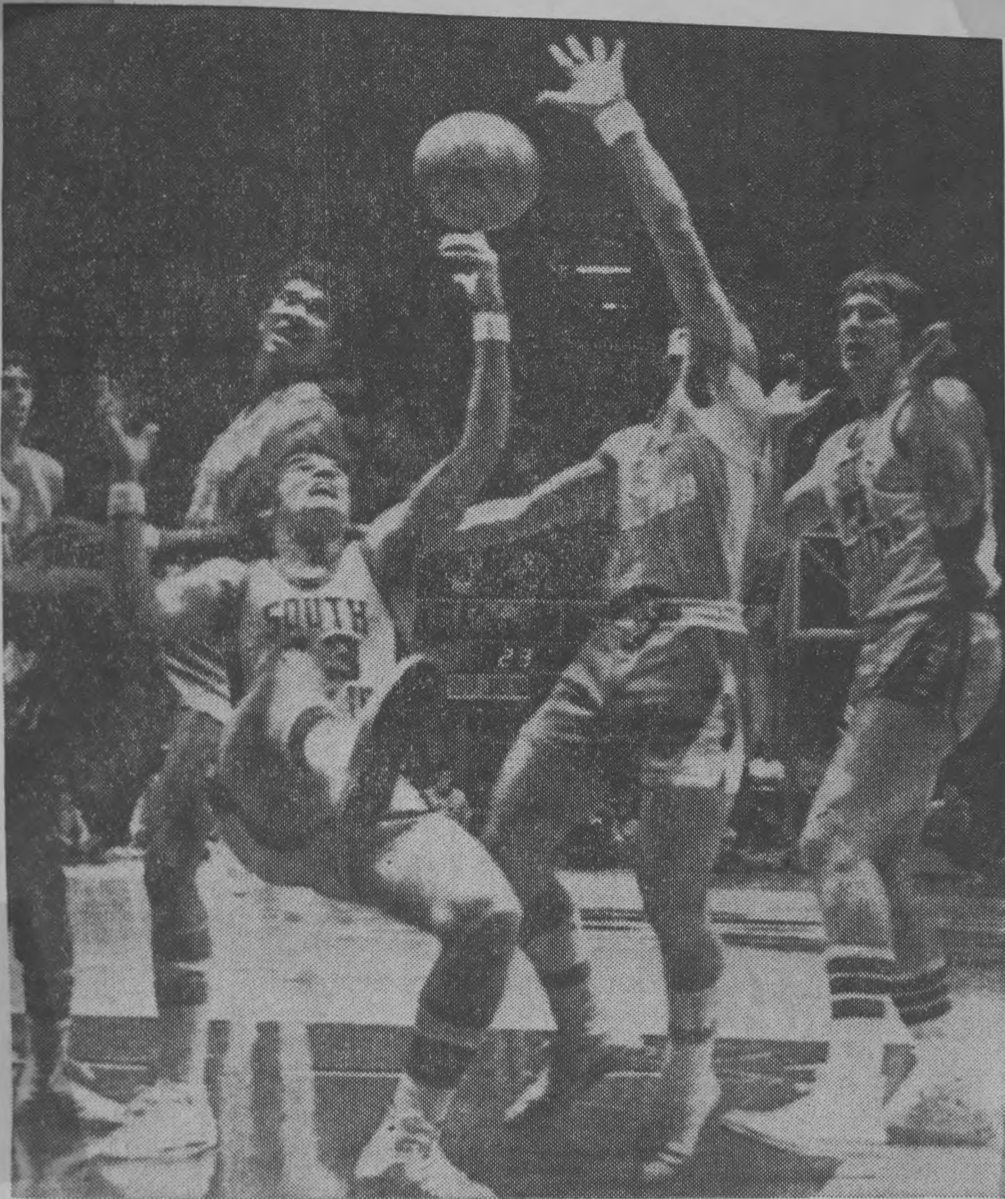
Valdosta High, however, isn't the only DE power in this neck of the woods. Lowndes High School has come on fast. The Lowndes club was judged third best in the state and Judy Rogers was elected state secretary.

Valdosta High has a long tradition of

winning in DE competition, including national awards, and now Lowndes High is starting the tradition. For Lowndes the third place finish was especially sweet. That's because this is just the second year for the Lowndes DE organization.

The students involved in distributive education at the two high schools deserve special praise. That's because not only are they students, but they hold down jobs, which is part of the program. Then on top of all that they are able to do all the extras required of club work and win state honors.

We join with others in congratulating both the Valdosta and Lowndes DE clubs for the great showing in the state competition.



-AP Wirephoto

South Carolina's Kevin Joyce Flails At Rebound Against Tarheels

Lifetime Thrill Seen By Durham

DAYTON, Ohio (AP)—Home state boy Hugh Durham, half of Adolph Rupp's age, admits it's lifetime thrill coaching against the Baron in what may be the Kentucky mentor's last college basketball game.

Durham, 35-year-old Louisville native, will send Florida State against the Wildcats Saturday in the NCAA Mideast finals in the University of Dayton Arena.

The dream meeting for Durham was set up Thursday night when the Nov. 10 Seminoles polished off Minnesota 70-56 after Kentucky stunned seventh-ranked Marquette 85-69 in the semifinals.

"I grew up idolizing Rupp," Durham said. "I'm not going to talk about whether he is going to retire, but it's a great honor to coach against him in possibly his last game."

Rupp, the winningest college coach with 879 triumphs, has

reached the mandatory university retirement age of 70.

"If this is his last year, it would be nice to see him go to Los Angeles for the finals, but I can't pull for him," chuckled Durham.

"It may be selfish of me," Durham added, "but if we beat them it's something I can tell my grandchildren."

Florida State beat Minnesota, 17, with balance and speed that shattered the Big Ten champions' full court press. The Seminoles, 25-5, had little trouble after building a 35-29 halftime lead.

Minnesota mentor Bill Musselman said the Seminoles "reacted very well against our press" and gives them a good chance of beating Kentucky, 21-6.

"It's a tossup," Musselman said. "It should be a very close game. Kentucky's guards will have to shoot well against Flor-

ida State to win."

Wildcat guards Ron Lyons and Stan Key were the undoing of Marquette, combining for 33 points and shredding the Warriors' famed full court press. Lyons scored 19 and Key 14.

The Warriors couldn't handle Kentucky's zone in the second half and lost Larry McNeil, Marcus Washington and Kurt Spychalla with five personal fouls.

Bob Lackey led the Warriors, 25-3, with 21 points, but only four were in the second half.

Rupp credited Kentucky's newly-installed zone and 29-of-34 foul shooting for this victory.

"We're very erratic on foul shooting," he said. "We were exceptional tonight."

Wildcat Trackmen Ready For Action

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats are well aware that replacing Dan Johnson is going to be a full time chore during the 1972 high school track season.

But head coach Charles Greene can look at Clifford Bradley, George Roundtree, Stanford Rome, Tony King, Lamar Martin, Luther Blue, Robert Morrisson, and Randy Fiveash, and somehow feel last year's do-it all can be replaced.

"It'll take three people to replace Johnson," Greene announced. "He did great in the broad jump, triple jump, the mile relay, the 440 relay and the 440 run."

But he had to admit the 'Cats won't be hurting experience-wise with Rome, an all-round sophomore, competing for the second year in the broad jump, 440 relay, 440 dash and the mile relay. Roundtree, a junior, has excellent possibilities in both hurdles and the high jump.

Added to them are senior Clifford Bradley, competing in the 100, 200, 400 relay and mile relay for the second year after going to state in the 220 last season, and a host of new talent on the team's 30-man squad.

"We are going to be strong in the running events except for the mile and two-mile," Greene said. "But we still need a little work. Right now we're awful sore from just a few days of

working out.

"But we're taking part in that preliminary meet today with Lowndes and Georgia Christian."

With its fine track on the Valdosta Junior High campus, Valdosta High usually hosts a number of meets. But a delayed start due to football spring training, and the site of the Region 1-AAA (South) and Region 1-AAA meets have changed that. Only one meet is set up for the local track, April 10.

"The sub-region meet is at Central (May 5) Greene explained, "And the region meet is at Cairo. We need some experience running on those tracks more than we need to run out here."

After the practice runs today, the 'Cats open their season in Cairo Apr. 17, and host their only scheduled home meet with Lowndes and Monroe of Albany Apr. 19. They go back

to Cairo April 24, and to Central Apr. 26, closing out the regular season in the Jaycees Invitational Meet in Fitzgerald Apr. 29.

"You know, we'll only lose three off this team next year," Greene chuckled.

Those three seniors include Bradley, Carl Barnes and Jeffrey Earnest.

Juniors include Roundtree, Emory Williams, Luther Blue, Marion McQueen, Donald Battles, David Dittmer, Chris Morgan, Mark Middleton, Jay Casey, David Register, and Ronald Daniels.

Sophomores include Rome, King, Morrisson, Lamar Mardon, Bruce Hornbuckle, Wayne Corbett, John Grant, Randy Graham, Larry Burgess, Freddie King and John Dalton.

Freshmen joining the squad include Robert Demps, Wesley Coachman, Jerry Daniels and Noah Fountain.

VHS Netters Split With Crisp

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

CORDELE — Valdosta High's net squads went their separate paths once again here Wednesday, the boys winning 4-1, but the girls losing by a like score. Coach Julian LeFiles' men sent their season mark soaring to 2-0, while the feminine racket - holders plummeted to 0-2.

The VHS net squad was to entertain Moultrie today at 3 p. m. Individual results follow:

BOYS

Scotty Slocum (V) beat Ray Darley (C) 6-2, 6-1; Gary Shell (C) beat Ronald Moore (V) 6-1, 8-6; Mike Parrish (V) beat Don Chancy (C) 3-6, 6-3, 6-4.

Doubles: Greg Bass and Kim Carpenter (V) beat Darley and Shell (C) 2-6, 6-4, 6-1; Lanny Abernathy and Ray Hamel (V) beat Chancy and Jerry Ellis (C) 6-3, 6-4.

GIRLS

Patsy Dean (C) beat Allen Mosley (V) 6-0, 6-3; Jill Little (C) beat Ann Holland (V) 6-2, 6-1; Maggie LaMontague (V) beat Nancy Williams (C) 6-3, 3-6, 6-1. Doubles: Janice Perlis and Little (C) beat LaMontague and Martica Griffin (V) 6-2, 6-1; Donna Whittle and Fran Carter (C) beat Linda Haddock and Karen Holland (V) 8-6, 6-8, 6-4.

VHS Netters Fall To Pack

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High School's net squads went down at the hands of Moultrie here Thursday, with the boys losing 6-1 and the girls dropping a 4-1 match.

Coach Julian LeFiles' tennis squads now look to Monday's clash here with Berrien High's Rebels from Nashville, Ga.

The defeats left the boys squad with a 2-1 mark and the girls with an 0-4 chart.

BOYS

Singles: Warren Kirk (M) beat Scottie Slocum (V), 6-1, 6-4; Mike Schemonum (M) beat Ronald Moore (V), 6-3, 6-0; Ash Grimmitt (M) beat Mike Parrish (V) 6-1, 3-6, 9-7; Greg Bass (V) beat Sam Watley (M), 6-4, 7-5.

Doubles: Schemonum - Grimmitt (M) beat Slocum - Moore (V), 6-1, 6-2; Bob Cobb - Willie McCall (M) beat Lanny Abernathy - Kim Carpenter (V), 6-3, 6-3; Eddie Gordon - Walter Harrison (M) beat Ray Hamel - Burt Carter (V), 9-7, 6-0.

GIRLS

Singles: Michelle Davidson (M) beat Allen Mosely (V), 6-2, 6-2; Ann Holland (V) beat Polly Trimble (M), 6-0, 6-1; Scheryl Holland (M) beat Maggie LaMontague (V), 7-5, 3-6; 8-6.

Doubles: Scheryl Holland - Carol Greay (M) beat Linda Haddock - Karen Holland (V), 6-4, 3-6, 6-4; Davidson - Tremble (M) beat Marticia Griffin - Ann Holland (V), 6-3, 6-4.

Lowndes, 'Dosta Grapple

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Lowndes Vikings and Valdosta High Wildcats were to go at it once again this afternoon, and it's a good bet both Noel George and Joe Mercer would like to walk off the diamond with the first half of the city championship.

George's Vikes brought an 0-2 mark into the contest, after losing to Moultrie and Ware County, while VHS comes in 3-0.

The defending Region 1-AAA champs have recorded a doubleheader win over Tift County and a single victory over Thomasville's Bulldogs, with junior southpaw Gary Rowe taking two of those wins.

The two squads have tangled 13 times over the years, with Valdosta winning 12 of the encounters.

Last year saw VHS dump the Vikings 2-5 and 6-0 enroute to a 15-5 season mark. Lowndes' only victory in the series came in 1970 by a 7-4 margin.

Action was to begin at 4 p. m. at the Lowndes High diamond.