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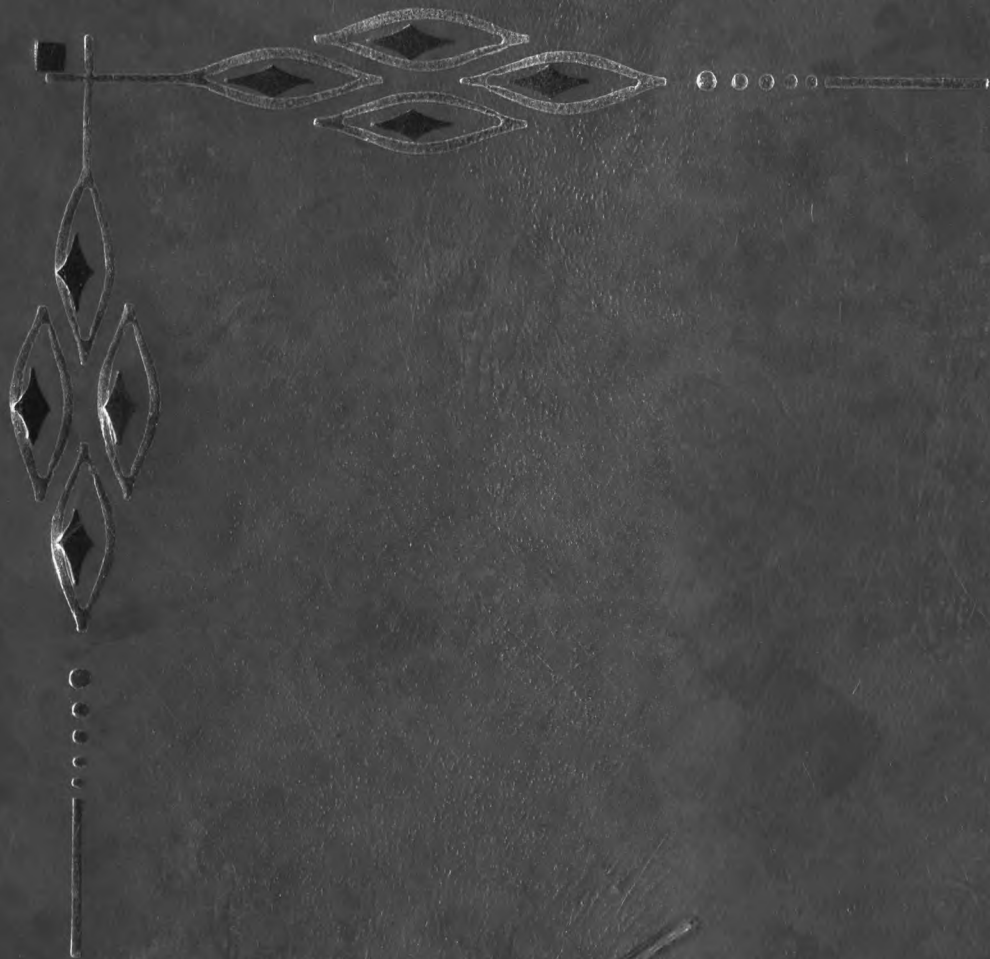
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Baze Continues Search For Best

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's Wildcats have just one week of spring football practice left and coach Wright Bazemore continues in his search for what he calls "our best combination."

After three weeks of off-season practice, Bazemore and his aides are still trying a lot of different players at a lot of different positions, with a few alternating between offense and defense.

"As everyone knows we have a very inexperienced squad," Bazemore said. "What we're still looking for is our best combination."

"We've been experimenting with a lot of different players at a lot of different positions and we'll continue to do that right up to our game next Friday."

That "game next Friday" which Baze mentioned will be against the Has-Beens, a team composed of graduating seniors. It will be played under the lights at Cleveland Field and the contest, as in the past, will be sponsored by the Valdosta Touchdown Club and the V club, a VHS organization of varsity sports letter winners.

The game with the Has-Beens, in a manner of speaking, will be the Wildcats' final football exam this spring.

"We're a long, long way from being sure about who will be starting where against the Has-Beens," the coach says. "As for our overall progress, or lack of it, this spring it's hard to tell. We've had some good days of practice and some bad ones."

"We've had individuals who have looked pretty good one day and just so-so the next. But with so many inexperienced

players, this is something we expected.

"We've made some progress, but do we every more have a long way to go."

Bazemore says a final decision on the starters for the Has-Been game won't be made until next week, but he did offer a list of players "who are among the leading candidates at different positions."

That list, with the names of the players, their weights and the grade they will be in 1971 follows:

OFFENSE

End — Jim Clarkston (180, sr.), Stanford Rome (190, soph.), Bruce Hilton (145, soph.), Arthur Cooper (150, soph.).

Tackles — Paul Demersseman (210, sr.), Wade Johnson (190, jr.), Sidney Earnest (170, sr.).

Guards — David Register (190, jr.), Calvin Lester (160, sr.), Robert Joseph (170, sr.), Dub Franklin (160, soph.).

Centers — Steve Stanaland (205, sr.), Paul Lore (175, sr.), Dennis Collin (170, soph.).

Quarterbacks — Stanley Bounds (170, sr.), Dick Parker (170, sr.), Alfred Bea (135, soph.), Rome.

Halfbacks — George Rountree (170, jr.), Robert Daniels (190, soph.), Rick Peterson (150, soph.), Robert Morrison (150, soph.), Gary Rowe (175, jr.), James Savage (175, jr.).

Fullback — Robert McCaskill (185, sr.), Pat O'Neal (180, jr.), Dwight Whitfield (135, soph.).

DEFENSE

Ends — Scott Griffin (180, sr.), Edwin Pompey (170, sr.), David Berrien (170, jr.), Dennis Nichols (160, jr.).

Tackles — David Mitchell (250, soph.), Ronald Daniels (190, jr.), Gary Irby (190, jr.), Freddy Wilbon (205, jr.).

Middle guards — Lewis Gordon (170, sr.) and Calvin Johnson (160, jr.).

Inside linebackers — Lewis Goodin (150, sr.), Mike Griner (150, jr.), Joe Nijem (150, jr.), Jack Sullivan (165, soph.), Savage.

Outside linebackers — Alvin Payton (170, sr.), Johnny Sandsberry (160, jr.), Larry Lane (160, jr.), James Berrien (150, soph.), Ricky Mears (150, soph.), Parker.

Deep backs — O.D. Netter (170, sr.), Roger Rountree (165, jr.), Richard Manuel (170, soph.), Larry Richardson (150, soph.) and Rowe.



RICHARD NEESE
State Scholar

Valdostan Wins State Elks Award

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Richard Neese, Valdosta High School's 1971 Star student, has won the state Elks Scholarship award, according to Marguerite Ford, guidance counselor at VHS.

The son of Sgt. and Mrs. Earl J. Neese, the 17-year-old senior is to receive a \$600 college scholarship along with the first place citation.

Neese is now eligible to compete in the national scholarship competition. The student was sponsored in the state contest by the Valdosta Elks Lodge.

Neese is president of the VHS Beta Club and attended the Governor's Honors Program last summer. He participated in the Eighth District Honors Program in the summer of 1969.

The student, who is to attend Georgia Tech in Atlanta this fall, is a finalist in the 1971 National Merit Scholarship competition.

Two VHS Seniors Win DCT Awards

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Two Valdosta High School seniors have taken district first place honors in Diversified Co-operative Training competition held last week in Fitzgerald, according to an announcement.

Marsha Noble, 17, won first place in job interview with a superior rating, and Lucy Neal, 18, won first place in speech competition with a superior rating.

Miss Noble is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Nobel, and Miss Neal is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Neal.

The senior co-eds were the only two DCT students from Valdosta High to compete in the district. They are to compete in the state contests to be held in Atlanta this spring.

Miss Noble is a long-distance operator with Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph, and Miss Neal works at the doctors' laboratory.

Coordinator of the VHS DCT club is James Horn.

Valdosta High Students Vary On My Lai Issues

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Students at Valdosta High School do not condone the murder of defenseless old women, men and children but they don't agree with the guilty verdict and life imprisonment handed down at Lt. William Calley's court martial this week.

More than 95 per cent of the papers written by students in history classes on the Calley conviction were against the guilty verdict found by the jurors.

The papers showed the students had closely followed the four-month long case.

Less than 10 students showed any support of the war in Vietnam and several said their fathers and friends were serving in Southeast Asia.

"I lost a best friend in Vietnam and I think the war is senseless and Calley's verdict is, too," wrote one boy.

Ruth Johnson wrote there is no right or wrong side in the Calley case. "As far as Calley being a human being, I think he was wrong. As a soldier with orders to kill the enemy, I think he was justified in doing so," she said.

About 90 per cent of the students who wrote on the subject felt Calley was under orders and that his superiors should stand trial instead.

Most of the students felt that the young lieutenant was emotionally unstable and that he needed help and not punish-

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Ideas...

ment for his ordered acts.

Wade Johnson said no one knows who the enemy is in Vietnam.

"You could see an old man and turn your back and within two seconds you'd be dead. Of course, we can't have our soldiers going over there and shooting anybody in sight," said Johnson.

Ann Morrow says that she feels Lt. Calley is guilty as a human being for murdering old men and women and babies, although it's questionable as to whether they were Viet Cong or civilians.

"I agree on the point that somewhere in Calley's mental makeup something is wrong. When Calley and his soldiers went into the village of My Lai they were not met with any resistance at all. They just walked into the village, rounded up those people into ditches and coldbloodedly murdered them, under orders as Calley says.

"If this is so, then evidently the Army knew what was going on. I feel that the man

who should be tried, court martialed and stripped of his rank is Gen. Westmoreland. He is the commander of the forces in Vietnam and under him the situation has gone from bad to worse. For some reason Westmoreland and the Army believe that if the American public sees the high body count of VC, they will say we are winning the war," said Miss Morrow.

Mariliz Mayo said that although Calley's brutality was unnecessary and indicative of his deranged mind, many such atrocities have been committed during wars when guerilla warfare was involved. She is undecided on the outcome of the trial because the circumstances and reasons involved are so unusual.

"I agree with the court decision. Just because it's a war, you don't have to kill everything that moves," said Donald Boykin.

Reginald Holt said the Army is unfair in its judgement of Calley because of all the thousands of other murders

which have been committed in Vietnam.

All the students who thought Calley should have been acquitted felt the jury was unfair.

"The Army trains their men for combat and when sent to Vietnam they are sent there to fight," said Syd Alderman.

Vickie Montgomery said Calley should be turned loose. She is disturbed because higher officers including two generals have been exonerated of the crimes.

Cindy Miller said Calley is as innocent as any man who is involved in the Vietnam war.

Joy Goodson said if Calley had not followed his orders to wipe out the village, he would still be in the same position he is today for failing to obey.

Several students at VHS are getting petitions in protest of the verdict to send to President Nixon.

VHS Junior Named 'Y' Messenger

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A Valdosta High School junior, Sherrie Tefeteller, has been elected house messenger for the 1972 YMCA Youth Assembly in Atlanta.

Miss Tefeteller was elected at the annual youth assembly held in Atlanta last week. The 1971 session ended Saturday night.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon L. Tefeteller, she attended the youth assembly with three other members of the VHS Tri-Hi-Y.

Others making the trip were club president Nancy Rodgers, Terry Maddax and Debora Webbs.

Miss Tefeteller said the bill sponsored by the local group, which called for inspections of all carnivals and the establishment of safety standards, was passed and signed into law by youth governor Bill Lyons of Marietta.

Six VHS Students In Honors Program

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Six students have been selected from Valdosta High School to participate in the Governor's Honors Program this summer. And according to VHS guidance counselor Marguerite Ford, this is the highest number ever chosen from the local facility.

"It's a credit to the teachers and students that we had so many chosen," said Miss Ford.

Students chosen include Randy Holloman, David Slowik, Richard Dasher, Nancy Rogers, Alfred Willis and Gwen Stickley. Holloman was nominated by history instructor Jack Crouse and Dasher was recommended by social studies teacher Susan Whidden. Math teacher Elaine Pilcher nominated Slowik and Miss Rogers was recommended by the team teachers Mary Leonard and Bethel Phillips.

A music student, Miss Stickley was nominated by hand director Frank Butenshon and Willis received his recommendation from French instructor Dorothy Connell.

"We are so proud of these students. We had three sophomores out of the group, which is unusual. This is the best we have ever done on the Governor's Honors Program," said Miss

Ford.

The prestigious Governor's Honors is held annually at Wesleyan College in Macon. Each spring 400 of the state's brightest and most gifted students are selected for the two month summer study program.

Selection of the 400 is based on test scores and interviews conducted by program officials.

Students chosen for the program are given special assignments, research and a chance to do in-depth study in their selected academic fields.

VHS Second At Waycross

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Scoring all of their points in the relays and hurdles the Valdosta High Wildcats finished second in the annual Red Adair track meet at Waycross Saturday.

Host Waycross topped the team standings with 135 points, followed by Valdosta, 26, and Tompkins (Savannah), 22.

The VHS foursome of Dan Johnson, Tony King, Stanford Rome and Clifford Bradley won the mile relay in the time of 3:33.5 and finished second in 440

relays in time, :45.0.

George Rountree was second in high and low hurdles. His time in the highs was :16.2 and his time for the lows was :21.2.

Valdosta has a home meet scheduled for Wednesday with Lowndes and Georgia Christian (Dasher) to be in the field.

Students Here Are Preparing For State DE Club Meeting



DANIEL PARKER
Lowndes High

vertising and layout awards while classmate Debbie Roark is entering the job interview event. Liz Fountain and Mike Noles are representing Lowndes High in the Lowndes County school system as voting delegates.

It'll be a busy four days for Miss Johnston who is also competing for honors in her studies in specialty shop marketing. A member of the Student Council and Beta Club, she conducted a survey to determine if there is a garment gap here.

By interviewing 250 high school and Valdosta State College students, Miss Johnston discovered that the students are not buying and wearing what the fashion magazines and designers report they are



JOLYNN JOHNSTON
Garnet Gap

purchasing and wearing.

"I found that most of the students are wearing casual clothes, sticking to pant suits and Levi's and short skirts which is not what the magazines report. The magazines are pushing middies, Gauchos and things like that but very few people here are buying them," said Miss Johnston.

After compiling her findings, Miss Johnston distributed the results to local specialty shops to help in their buying.

"I selected this particular project because the garment gap is a problem we're faced with. The survey seemed a good way to help the store buyers and also help the students get what they wanted from local shops," said Miss



ROBERT ORR
State Office

Johnston.

The DE club treasurer also used the garment gap survey in her project for the city school wide social science fair. Miss Johnston's effort was a blue ribbon winner.

Other VHS DE students entering state events include Robert Orr, merchandising information manual on men's hairpieces; Ken Webb, advertising and area distribution manual on the use of color and movie gimmicks; Debbie Manganaro, business speech; Jimmy McGuinn, merchandising math.

Becky Eager, display contest

and the effect catalogue items had on drawing customers to certain stores; Judy Bernard, reporter of the year contest.

Miss Eager and club president David Bentley, for Students of the year honors.

Ann Watson, business vocabulary, spelling and a survey on the effectiveness of store leaders; Roxanne Williams, invest in America manual; David Mathis, studies in the oil industry.

Nancy Parrish, food brand industry; Patti Parrish, service industry and Beverly O'Conner, home furnishing industry market.

Others making the trip from VHS chapter are Joe Taylor, Brenda Webb, Joyce Webb, Bobby Montague, Larry Stalley and Raymond Sutton.

DE coordinator Norman Greene of VHS said he has a lot of hope for the local entries. "I think we are on the right track with the surveys and manual. The students put a lot of time and effort into them and have come up with some surprising results which should prove beneficial to the community," he said.

For example, Patti Parrish's survey to determine if there is a need for an independent delivery service resulted in a positive answer. The majority of store managers and citizens interviewed said they could and would use such a service if it were provided.

Fitz Track Meet Won By Valdosta

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

With first place finishes in five events, the Valdosta High Wildcats earned top team honors in the Fitzgerald Jaycees Invitational track meet held this past Saturday at Fitzgerald.

The meet, the first of what is planned as a series of annual affairs, drew a field of 11 teams ranging in classification from "AAA" to "C".

Valdosta's winning team total was 88 points, followed by Fitzgerald, 72; Irwin County (Ocilla), 71; Vienna, 55; Wayne County (Jesup), 54; Cochran, 44; Treutlen County (Soperton), 33; Camden County (Woodbine), Coffee County (Douglas), 29; Georgia Christian (Dasher), 16, and Appling County (Baxley), 4.

The 'Cats led the way in the 440 relay, 100-yard dash, high hurdles, 880-yard run and mile relay. In all they earned points in eight of the meet's 16 events.

Point winners for Valdosta and Georgia Christian men with the times, heights and distances follow:

VALDOSTA — High jump — Rusty Jones, 3rd, 5' 10"; 440

relay, team of Dan Johnson, Tony King, Stanford Rome, Clifford Bradley, 1st, :44.4; 440-Rome, 1st, :52.3, Johnson, 3rd, :53.4. 100 — Bradley, 1st, :09.9; high hurdles, George Rountree, 1st, :15.5; 880 — Randy Fiveash, 1st, 2:04.5; 220 — Bradley, 2nd, :22.5; low hurdles — Rountree, 2nd, :20.8; mile relay — team of Johnson, King, Rome, Bradley, 1st, 3:33.5.

GCS — mile — Tim Vick, 2nd, 3:33.0. shot put — Royace Howard, 2nd, 48' 10"

VHS, which has now scored victories in its last three starts, was to close out its regular season with a meet here this afternoon at the track on the Valdosta Junior High Campus.

In the field was to be Lowndes and Thomasville Central.

Both Valdosta and Lowndes are to be on hand when the Region 1-AAA (South) meet is held this coming Friday at Central in Thomasville.

Valdosta High DE Club Wins Five State Firsts

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

ATLANTA — The Valdosta High School Distributive Education Club won five first places in state contests and a junior member was elected secretary of Georgia DECA. But the "Athens jinx" continued to hold as the north Georgia club walked off with Club of the Year honors.

According to Norman Greene, club coordinator, first place winners for VHS included Ken Webb, Jimmy McGhin, David Mathis, Patti Parrish and Beverly O'Conner.

Jo Lynn Johnston, a first year student, won the state secretary's post.

Webb's winning project was an advertising manual while McGhin placed first in business mathematics, said Greene. Miss Parrish, Miss O'Conner and Mathis won first place for studies in marketing manuals they prepared.

Despite the five first places to two for Athens, the Athens DE Club won out in the club of the year competition, said Greene. VHS was club of the year last year.



JOLYNN JOHNSON
State Secretary

Besides the five first places, the VHS club copped eight second places and three third places in state contests.

Second place finishes included Larry Staley for his project of

the year entry, David Bentley in creative marketing and male student of the year, Becky Eager for merchandising display and studies in marketing on department stores, Robert Orr for a merchandising information manual, Ann Watson in business spelling and Debbie Manganaro in the speech contest.

Greene said third place finishers included Ken Webb for an area of distribution manual, Jo Lynn Johnston for a studies in marketing on specialty shops and Nancy Parrish for her project on food industries.

In addition to winning out over VHS in the state contest, the Athens jinx previously showed up when the school's football team tied VHS for the State AAA football Championship in 1969 and the 1970 census showed Clarke County, of which Athens is the county seat, replaced Lowndes County as Georgia's 11th most populous county.

The club was to return today from Atlanta. Greene said the five winners are to attend the National DECA convention in San Antonio, Tex., next month.

Valdosta DCT Club Named Second Place In Georgia

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

With a superior rating, the Diversified Cooperative Training Club at Valdosta High School has been named to second place in the outstanding club of the year competition at the state Vocational Industrial Clubs of America meeting held this weekend in Atlanta, according to club member Lucy Neal.

The superior rating, said Miss Neal, is awarded clubs which make 1,000 or more points during the year, and there were only about 20 superior ratings given.

This is the first time the VHS DCT Club has received a superior rating in five years, she said.

Marsha Noble of the DCT club

here received an excellent rating in job interview competition.

Miss Noble and Miss Neal received trophies at the VICA banquet for receiving superior ratings on the district level, Miss Noble in job interview and Miss Neal in speech.

Brooks Dumps Kittens

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Brooks County's Trojanettes shutout Valdosta's Kittens, 7-0, to hand the home team their third consecutive loss in a girl's high school tennis meet here Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Martha Isgett's Kittens, suffered their third loss in as many starts with the shutout. They are scheduled to see action again Monday when they host the Berrien Rebelettes from Nashville.

Individual results follow:

Singles — Diane Pope (B) beat Carolyn Shenton (V), 6-1; Kay Lastinger (B) beat Jo y Johnson (V), 6-1, 8-6; Susan Webb (B) beat Allen Moesly, 6-3, 6-0; Martha Marton (B) beat Maggie LaMontagne (V), 6-3, 6-2;

Doubles — Pope-Webb (B) beat Shenton-Johnson, 6-0, 6-3; Lastinger-Martha Martin (B) beat Moesly-LaMontagne, 6-2, 6-1; Kay Willis-Robin Lewis (B) beat Anne Franklin-A n n Holland, 6-2, 6-1.

TD Club Supper Is Set Thursday

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta Touchdown Club will get its 1971 "season" underway when it holds its annual spring fish fry here Thursday night.

The event is slated for 7:30 p.m. and is to be held at the S. L. Mason Elementary School lunch room, according to club president Bobby Green.

As in the past the fish supper is being held on the eve of the Valdosta High Wildcats' annual spring football game with the Has-Beens, a team composed of graduating seniors.

The 'Cats and the Has-Beens are to clash at 8 p.m. Friday at Cleveland Field. The game will be co-sponsored by the TD Club and the V Club, an organization of varsity sports letter winners at Valdosta High. Admission will be \$1 for fans of all ages.

At the Touchdowners' supper Thursday VHS' super successful head coach Wright Bazemore and Billy Grant, who will be coaching the Has-Beens, will offer their views on what can be expected in the grid contest Friday night. Helping Grant coach the "veterans" will be Archie Griffin.

"Former and present members of our club are, of course, invited to our fish fry Thursday night," TD Club president Green said. "We'd also like to have anyone who might be interested in joining the club to attend. There won't be any additional charge. Those who wish may pay their 1971 dues of \$10. The players of both teams will be our guests."

"Our club's membership drive won't officially start until closer to the beginning of the new football season, but the fish fry tomorrow night will kind of get things rolling for us. We have a lot of worthwhile projects planned and we're going to need a large membership to get the job done."

The Valdosta TD Club, one of the largest organizations of its type in the country, spent over \$8,000 in 1970 in support of the Wildcats.

Among the club's major activities are its annual fish supper, co-sponsorship of the spring football game, sponsorship of the Wildcats' pre-season football camp, the supplementing of meals for players during the grid season, the holding of weekly movie meetings after all regular season and playoff games and the sponsorship of an annual football banquet honoring the 'Cats.

Live As Brothers Or...

Sir:

I am a senior at Valdosta High School and I am a member of the Student Organization for Unity and Liberation. This organization has been set up to help the black people of Valdosta help themselves.

I am concerned with some of the problems of race relations. It is time for all forms of racism in America to stop. Racism exists in many forms throughout the U. S.

One form of racism that should be stopped is the flying of the Confederate flag. This flag represents oppression, hatred, slavery and inhuman treatment toward the

Negro race.

The flag insults not only the blacks but also other minority groups. It represents people who want to remain slaves to their own bigotry and hate.

Students have asked for this flag to be removed from school activities, but the flag continues to be used. Students from old Pinevale High School gave up their school, their football team, and a lot of other things in order to desegregate the system.

Blacks find that whites have not given up anything, other than the song "Dixie," which should have been given up 106 years ago. It is time for whites to give up something for the improvement of race relations.

It seems better for people to live together as brothers, because we will perish together as fools if we don't.

John T. Fisher III
905 Bunche St.

State Convention Taught DE Prexy

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The new president of the Distributive Education Club at Valdosta High School said he didn't know what the organization was really all about until he went to the state DE convention in Atlanta last month.

Raymond Sutton Jr. who was elected to succeed David Bentley as chapter president Thursday, said every student involved in DE should attend a state meeting.

"You learn how great the reorganization really is and what everything is all about. It really makes you proud to belong," he said.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Sutton Sr. of 2311 N. Toombs St., he is to take office this fall. Other officers of the club are to be chosen when school opens this September.

The election of the club leader took place at the group's annual president's breakfast at the Sheraton Inn. Other candidates for the position were David Selph, Bobby Montague and Mike Gandy, all juniors.

Jo Lynne Johnston, a junior, was the featured speaker. Miss Johnston, the state DE secretary, told the 97 students present that a good leader is also a good worker and follower.

VHS principal Charles (Chuck) Green and DE Alumni vice president Frankie Norman were guests.

Sutton, a junior, said that he wants the local chapter to



RAYMOND SUTTON JR.
DE President

win the club of the year award next spring at the DE state meeting. VHS placed second in the state this year.

"And then I want us to go on and be the number one club in the nation. We can do it. There's no reason why we can't," he said.

Sutton also wants as many of the DE students as possible to make the state trip next spring. "That's where you really find out what everything's about," he said.

Sutton was on the courtesy corps at state this year.

He works part time at Winn Dixie supermarket at Five Points.

Neese Is Merit Scholar

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A Valdosta High School senior, Richard Neese, has been awarded a four-year Merit Scholarship, according to an announcement made by Edward C. Smith, president of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

Neese, 18, was among 1,300 high school seniors across the country to be named four-year scholarship winners. Neese's scholarship is sponsored by the Air Force Central Welfare Board.

The announcement of the four-year scholarships today is the first of three groups of winners to be announced this spring.

About 1,000 winners of National Merit \$1,000 scholarships are to be announced April 28 and on May 5 the NMSC is to reveal the names of the winners of the college-sponsored four-year Merit Scholarships.

All of the four-year winners announced today were chosen from the 15,000 finalists. The finalists are those who scored in

about the upper half of one percent of graduating seniors in their state on the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

The son of Sgt. and Mrs. Earl J. Neese of 1614 Marion St., Neese is president of the Beta Club, editorial editor for the school newspaper, a member of the Future Teachers of America Club and the Latin Club.

He is the 1971 Star student at VHS and won the 1971 Most Valuable Student award sponsored by the Elks Lodge here. He has attended both the Governor's Honors Program and the Eighth District Honors Program.

Neese plans to major in physics at Georgia Tech in Atlanta after his graduation in June from VHS.



RICHARD NEESE
Four-Year Winner

Packers Thump Baseball 'Cats

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

MOULTRIE — Scoring outbursts in the first two innings gave Moultrie's Packers the chance they needed as they rolled to a 10-4 baseball victory over Valdosta's Wildcats and claimed undisputed possession first place in Region 1-AAA (South) here Tuesday.

The Packers chalked up four runs in the first and the second frames to take an 8-2 lead, then held the 'Cats to just two more

markers to win. Coach Joe Mercer's previously undefeated 'Cats were left with 5-1 overall and 2-1 league charts. They are scheduled to host Central of Thomasville Friday in another sub-region meet.

The victory left coach Ace Little's Packers with a 6-1 overall record and 4-0 league chart. Their only loss was to Norman Park Junior College.

Randy Boozer went the distance for the Packers to pick up

his second hill win in three starts, striking out six and walking one.

Valdosta's Gary Rowe took the loss. It was his first after a pair of wins. He fanned two batters and walked three.

Eddie Rountree led the Valdosta attack with two singles, while Stanley Bounds slammed a two-run homer. Jim Boring paced the Packers with three hits, two of them triples.

Valdosta	ab	r	h	rbi
LeFiles, 2b	2	1	0	0
Rountree, rf	3	2	2	0
Bounds, cf	3	1	1	2
Branam, c	3	0	0	0
Rowe, p	3	0	2	0
Roberts, 3b	2	0	0	0
Furth, 3b	1	0	0	0
Demersseman, ss	2	0	0	0
Barnes	1	0	0	0
Marshall, 1b	2	0	0	0
P. Demersseman	1	0	0	0
Parker, lf	2	0	1	0
Fordham	1	0	0	0

TOTALS	ab	r	h	rbi
Moultrie	26	4	6	2
Harvey, rf	3	2	1	0
Rea, ss	3	1	1	2
Faircloth, cf	3	3	1	1
Goff, 3b	4	1	2	1
Boozer, p	4	1	2	1
DeMott, lf	4	2	2	0
Boring, 1b	4	3	2	2
Johnson, 2b	3	0	0	0
Croft, 2b	0	0	0	0
Delprete, c	3	0	0	0

TOTALS	ab	r	h	rbi
Valdosta	32	10	11	8
Moultrie	200	002	0	4-6-2
Moultrie	440	101	x	-10-11-1

E — Johnson, Roberts 2.
DP — Rea to Boring.
LOB — Valdosta 2, Moultrie 4.
2B — Rea.
3B — Boring 2.
HR — Bounds, Faircloth.

	ip	h	r	bb	s
Rowe (L)	6	11	10	3	2
Boozer (W)	7	6	4	1	6
PB — Delprek					

Valdosta Netters Beaten At T'ville

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High's tennis Wildcats and Kittens were beaten in tennis matches with Thomasville's Bulldogs and Bulldogettes Monday at Thomasville.

Thomasville won the boys match, 5-2, and triumphed in the girls match, 6-1.

The VHS teams were to play regular season matches today with Albany at Albany. On Friday they are to go back to Albany to take part in the Region

1-AAA tournament.

Boys

Singles — Morgan Fordham (V) beat Stephen Feinberg (T), 6-1, 6-2; Rocky Spence (T) beat Scotty Slocum (V), 6-3, 6-1; Gary Hunter (T) beat Bob Connell (V), 8-2; Bobby Balfours (T) beat Ron Moore (V), 8-1; Ken Enfinger (V) beat David Zualita (T), 8-3.

DOUBLES — Balfour — Hunter (T) beat Mike Franzeho — Mike Parrish (V), 6-0, 6-4; Frank Hjort — Jess Booth (T) beat Kim Carpenter — Richard Neese (V), 6-3, 6-3.

SINGLES — Mary Jean Neel (T) beat Carolyn Shenton (V), 6-1, 6-1; Betsy Cox (T) beat Allan Mosley (V), 9-7 6-1; Bonnie McClure (T) beat Joy Johnson (V), 8-2; Maggie LaMontagne (V) beat Kay Thornton (T), 8-4.

DOUBLES — Carlo Thornton-Joy Alligood (T) beat Shenton-Johnson (V), 2-6, 6-4, 6-3; Greer Becknell - Virginia Balfour (T) beat Dedee Durden - Mosley (V), 6-2, 6-2; Carolyn Jones-Joy Tuggle (T) beat Anne Franklin-Ann Holland (V), 6-2, 6-3.

Baseball 'Cats Trip Up Gators

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's baseball Wildcats powered their way to a pair of victories over the Ware County Gators here Saturday.

Coach Joe Mercer's 'Cats rolled past the Gators from Waycross 10-7 and 12-0 in the non-region twin-bill.

VHS collected a total of 24 hits, 11 in the first game and 13 in the second. Included were a pair of home runs and a half dozen doubles.

The 'Cats now own a 3-0 record. Their next start will be Tuesday when they meet the Lowndes Vikings in a Region 1-AAA (South) test which is slated for 4 p.m. at Piedmont Park. Coach Noel George's Vikes are 1-2.

In the opener against Ware Saturday Valdosta built up a eight-run lead and then the reserves took over and played the last two innings. The Gators got all seven of their runs in the final frame.

VHS's junior righthander Stanley Bounds, who started and allowed just two hits and no runs during the five frames he worked, nicked up the hill win. It was his first decision of the season. Bounds helped his own cause by rapping out three singles. Gary Rowe, Dave Demersseman and Darrell Branam chipped in with doubles.

In the second game the 'Cats produced their 12-run total with a pair of six-tally outbursts, one in the second inning and another in the fifth. Each uprising featured three run homers, one by Bounds, Rowe and Ken Furth accounted for doubles.

On the mound Rowe, a junior lefty, went the distance and blanked the Gators on three scattered hits. It was his first decision.

Baseball 'Cats Defeat Jackets

By JULIAN MILLER
TIMES STAFF WRITER

Four singles, three doubles, and two base on balls for 10 runs. How's that for a start in a Region 1-AAA (South) high school baseball game?

Valdosta's Wildcats chalked the 10 runs in the first inning and then tallied five more in the course of the game to defeat the Central Yellow Jackets of Thomasville 15-5, here Friday.

The victory was the sixth in seven starts for coach Joe Mercer's Wildcats and left them with a 3-1 sub-region mark. They are scheduled to see re-

gion action again Tuesday when they play host to Thomasville's Bulldogs.

The 'Cats' attack was so fierce the Jackets were forced to retire starting pitcher Joe Copeland before the first out in the game. Shortstop Jim Reeves took over in the first inning and took the loss for Central.

Stanley Bounds went six innings for VHS and got credit for the win to push his record to 3-0. He walked four and struck out six. The junior righthander also aided his own cause going four for four at the plate, with two doubles, two singles and three RBIs.

Darrell Branam and Eddie Roberts also totaled three RBIs each on two hits. Branam banged a 335-foot, two-run homer in the third and a single, while Roberts clouted a double and a single.

Reeves was the top slugger for the Central cause, banging out a triple and single for two RBIs.

VHS Gains Golf Win Over Tift

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High's golfing Wildcats continued down the victory trail as they posted a 10-stroke victory over the Tift County Blue Devils in a Region 1-AAA match here Friday.

Coach Buck Davis' 'Cats finished with a four-man team total of 307 as they boosted their record to 4-1. The Imps from Tifton had a team score of 317.

Valdosta's Mike Fambrough had the low individual round of the day, a two under par 70.

The VHS linksmen are to return to action Tuesday when they take part in a five-team match at Albany. In the field with VHS will be Albany High, Dougherty (Albany), Westover (Albany) and Worth County (Sylvester).

Scores in yesterday's match follow:

VALDOSTA (307) — Mike Fambrough, 34-36-70; Ricky Martin, 40-36-76; Terry Heirs, 38-40-78; Pearce Scott, 40-43-83.

TIFT (317) — Joe Corry 37-38-75; Charlie Bulmer, 41-38-79; Allen Swan, 39-42-81; Jimmy Bulmer, 41-41-82.

VHS Boxscores

FIRST GAME				SECOND GAME								
Ware	ab	r	h	rbi	Ware	ab	r	h	rbi			
Murray, 2b	1	0	0	0	Murray, 2b	3	0	1	0			
Clark, 2b	1	1	0	0	Lee, 3b	3	0	0	0			
Lee, 3b	4	1	0	0	Dryden, lf	3	0	1	0			
Dryden, lf	3	1	0	0	Fuman, lf	0	0	0	0			
Thomas, c	3	0	1	0	Thomas, c	3	0	0	0			
Downing, rf	3	0	0	0	Dowling, rf	4	2	2	3			
Darrell, rf	2	1	0	1	E. Gibbs, rf	3	0	1	0			
E. Gibbs, lf	3	1	1	0	Goble, cf	2	0	0	0			
Goble, cf	5	1	1	0	Crawford, ss	2	0	0	0			
B. Gibbs, ss	1	0	1	0	Dryden, p	2	0	0	0			
Crawford, ss	3	0	1	1								
Lynn, p	1	0	1	0								
King	1	0	0	0								
Keen, p	1	1	1	1								
TOTALS	32	7	7	3	TOTALS	24	0	3	0			
Valdosta	ab	r	h	rbi	Valdosta	ab	r	h	rbi			
LeFiles, 2b	2	2	1	0	LeFiles, 2b	3	2	1	3			
K. Furth	1	0	1	0	K. Furth	1	0	1	0			
Roundtree, rf	4	1	1	0	Roundtree, rf	4	1	1	0			
C. Furth	1	0	0	0	C. Furth	1	0	0	0			
Bounds, cf	4	2	2	3	Bounds, cf	4	2	2	3			
Christian, rf	0	0	0	0	Christian, rf	0	0	0	0			
Bounds, p-cf	3	1	3	1	Branam, c	3	0	1	0			
Hilton p-lb	0	0	0	0	Fordham, 2b	0	0	0	0			
Branam, c	2	2	1	0	Roberts, 3b	4	1	1	0			
Morgan, c	1	0	0	0	Rowe, p	4	2	3	1			
D. Demersseman, 3b	3	0	1	1	D. Demersseman, ss	3	2	2	1			
Golden, 3b	1	1	1	0	Fennell, lf	0	0	0	0			
Rowe, lf	3	0	1	2	Clarkston, lb	3	0	1	1			
Parker, lf	1	0	0	0	Hilton	0	1	0	0			
D. Demersseman, ss	3	0	1	1	Marshall lb	1	0	0	0			
Furth, ss	0	1	0	0	Parker, lf	3	1	0	1			
Clarkston, cf	3	0	1	0	P. Demersseman	1	0	0	0			
Dame, c	1	0	0	0								
Marshall, lb	1	2	0	0								
P. Demersseman, lb	2	0	1	2								
Fordham, lb-p	0	0	0	0								
TOTALS	30	10	11	7	TOTALS	36	12	13	10			
Ware	000	000	7	7-7-6	Ware	000	000	0	0-3-3			
Valdosta	272	302	x-10-11-4		Valdosta	006	060	x-12-13-1				
2B — Rowe, D. Demersseman, Branam.					2B — Rowe, Bounds, K. Furth.							
SB — Roundtree, B. Gibbs, Keen, Clark.					HR — Bounds, LeFiles.							
S — Parker.					SB — D. Demersseman 2, Clarkston 2.							
SF — Bounds.					SF — Parker.							
lp h r bb so					lp h r er bb so							
Bounds (W)	5	2	0	1	5	Rowe (W)	7	3	0	0	2	
Hilton	1	1	2	4	7	Hawkins (L)	2	1	3	5	6	3
Fordham	2	3	1	0	2	Dryden	2	5	6	4	0	2
Lynn	4	9	8	4	4	Keen	2	3	3	0	0	4
Keen	2	2	2	2	3							

Central	ab	r	h	rbi
Reeves, ss-p	4	2	2	2
Christopher, c	4	0	1	1
Burns, 2b	4	1	2	1
Broome, lb	3	0	0	0
James, lf	3	0	1	0
Blount, cf	3	0	1	1
Brooks, 2b	3	1	0	0
Reechart, rf	3	0	1	0
Copeland, p	0	0	0	0
Ross, ss	2	1	0	0

TOTALS	24	5	8	5
Valdosta	ab	r	h	rbi
LeFiles, 2b	4	2	2	0
Roundtree, rf	3	3	2	0
Bounds, p-cf	4	2	4	3
Branam, c-p	4	2	2	3
Rowe, cf	2	1	0	0
Roberts, 3b-c	3	3	2	3
Furth, ss	3	0	0	0
P. Demersseman, lb	4	1	2	2
Fordham, cf	3	1	0	0
Parker, rf	1	0	0	0
Clarkston, cf	1	0	0	0

TOTALS	32	15	14	11
Central	001	300	1	5-8-3
Valdosta	1012	001	x-15-1-0	
E — Burns 2, Reeves.				
LOB — Valdosta 4, Central 4.				
2B — Bounds 2, Roberts, Christopher, P. Demersseman.				
3B — Reeves.				
HR — Branam.				
SB — Roberts.				
S — Furth.				

lp	h	r	bb	so	
Copeland (L)	0	5	6	1	0
Reeves	6	9	9	2	2
Bounds (W)	6	6	4	4	6
Branam	1	2	1	0	2
HBP — Blount by Bounds.					
BALK — Bounds, Branam 2.					
PB — Branam, Christopher.					

Smoking Area For Students At VHS Being Considered

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High School principal Charles (Chuck) Green says he prefers that teen-agers do not smoke. But he says he also realizes that some youth do and that some parents have no objection to their offspring using cigarettes.

More than one parent has asked Green why the students can't smoke at school if they can do so without punishment in their own homes.

At the present time it is against school rules for a student to smoke on campus. Anyone caught smoking in the buildings or on campus is disciplined.

Green said he is willing to have an authorized smoking area somewhere on the campus for those students who smoke with parental permission.

"We don't condone smoking but because of the fire hazards of smoking inside the buildings and the health and safety of the students, I think a special smoking area would be better," said the principal.

Green said the only way he would agree to such a smoking area is to enforce a rule that it be used for those students with parent's permission.

"Anyone else caught smoking in the area without authorization would be severely disciplined and anyone caught smoking outside the designated area would also be disciplined," said the principal.

The idea of a student smoking area has been talked about for several months by the youth and some faculty members.

Students now hide in the restrooms, in back of the stage, the gymnasium and storage rooms for a quick cigarette. Sometimes the smoke is so thick in the restrooms that it fills the stairways.

Green said this is one reason why many students do not make proper use of the restrooms on campus.

"I'd like the bathrooms to be

completely clear of smokers so that those who want to use the bathrooms can," he said.

Valdosta Fire Chief Dewey Foster, who has recommended the establishment of a student smoking area to city school supt. Foster Goolsby, said he will be glad to work with Green in selecting a spot.

"I feel that since some of the students do smoke that it would be safer to have an official area for them instead of them slipping all over the buildings," said Foster.

He said it is better to approach the problem realistically by giving the youth a specific place to smoke than just outlawing it altogether.

Green said he feels a student

smoking area would cut down on the amount of smoking on campus.

"We would strictly enforce the rule that students could not smoke on campus without parent's permission," he said.

Reuben Yancey, chairman of the Valdosta Board of Education, has said he would not like to see a smoking area created before this fall.

"I think it is better to do it next year instead of this late in the school year," he said.

VHS Links Team Has Title Hopes

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High's golfing Wildcats are to open their 1971 season Friday with a new coach, a veteran team and title ambitions.

Serving as the mentor for the VHS golf team this season is Buck Davis. He has replaced Julian LeFiles, who served as VHS golf and boys tennis coach last spring. LeFiles will devote full time to his net duties this spring.

Among the candidates for the golf team are Mike Fambrough, Ricky Martin and Pearce Scott, who were all members of the 1970 VHS fairway foursome which posted a 9-2 record, won the Region 1-AAA title and finished fourth in the state Class AAA tourney.

The fourth member of the 1970 championship team, John Walker, has been graduated. He's now attending Valdosta State College and is a member of the golf team there.

In addition to Fambrough, Martin and Scott, the current squad also includes David Evans and Terry Hiers. Both

saw some action last season.

Fambrough, who already has a long list of important golf victories to his credit, was the AAA individual titleholder in 1970.

The golfing Wildcats will begin their new campaign when they host Rome (Thomaston) in a match tomorrow. The remainder of their slate follows:

April 8, Tift County; April 12, Moultrie; April 16, Moultrie, away; April 19, Tift, here; April 22, Rome, here; April 25, Rome, here and April 29, Valdosta, here. The AAA tourney at the Alval Air Station is scheduled for May 1.

Davis said there is a possibility of more regular matches will be scheduled.

Valdosta Rallies, Takes Track Meet

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

With the issue in doubt until the final event was run, the Valdosta High Wildcats came away as the winners in a four-way track meet here Wednesday.

The VHS thinclads, coached by Charlie Greene and Edward Jones, scored heavily in the track event and earned a total of 86½ points as the 'Cats scored their first track victory of the season.

Finishing a very close second were coach John Rutland's Berrien Rebels from Nashville, Ga., with 78½ points. They were followed by the Lowndes Vikings, who had 63 points, and the Georgia Christian School Generals from Dasher, who had 25 points.

With victories in four field events Berrien took an early lead. But the Wildcats triumphed in seven track events to overhaul the Rebels.

After 15 of the meet's 16 events had been run VHS held a shaky five-point margin. The Wildcats clinched the meet when the foursome of Dan John-

son, Tony King, Stanford Rome and Clifford Bradley, won the mile relay, which was the last event of the day.

Valdosta has another home meet scheduled for next Wednesday.

Results follow:

VALDOSTA RALLIES 2-36-2 N.J. ---
Shot put — Lott (L), Howard (G), Jackson (L), Ray (B), Flowers (B). D — 47' 3"
Discus — Hitchcock (L), Lott (L), Howard (G), Queen (B), Miles (B). D — 131' 9"
Long jump — Smith (B), Griffin (V), Johnson (V), Deberry (B), Carter (B). D — 19'
Triple jump — Smith (B), Johnson (V), Griffin (V), Davis (B), Deberry (B). D — 38' 2½"
Pole vault — Odum (B), Benton (L) and Cepeland (G) tie. H — 11'
High jump — Boyd (B), Jones (V), Griffin (B), Connell (V), Rountree (V). H — 5' 8"
440 relay — Valdosta (Johnson, King, Rome, Bradley), Lowndes, Valdosta, Berrien, Lowndes. T — :44.8
Mile — Vick (G), Chester Ussery (L), Griffin (B), Bobo (B), Butterick (V). T — 4:55.0
440 — Rome (V), Johnson (V), Charles Ussery (L), Flowers (B), Ray (B). T — :52.5
100 — Bradley (V), King (V), Smith (B), Henry (L), Graham (L) and Washington (V) tie. T — :10.2
High hurdles — Rountree (V), Daniels (L), Wright (B), Fletcher (L), Boone (B). T — :15.7
880 — Vick (G), Holder (L), Fireash (V), Charles Ussery (L), Cader (B). T — 2:12.6
220 — Bradley (V), King (V), Carter (B), Floyd (V), Walker (B). T — :23.1
Low hurdles — Rountree (V), Daniel (L), Fletcher (L), Fleming (B), Rowe (B). T — :21.4
Two mile — Naylor (G), Chester Ussery (L), Bobo (B), Griffin (B), McNair (B). T — :10.45
Mile relay — Valdosta (Johnson, King, Rome, Bradley), Berrien, Lowndes, Valdosta, Berrien.

Pinevale Student Wins In District

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Vickie Parrish, a student at the Valdosta High School — Pinevale Campus was a first place winner in district competition at the Ben Hill Irwin Vocational Technical School in Fitzgerald.

Miss Parrish won in the cosmetology division. Her first place win enables her to compete in the state Vocational Industrial Clubs of America event in Atlanta April 3 - May 2.

Other Pinevale students who placed in the Fitzgerald contest include Bonnie Washington and Ann Williams. Miss Washington won third in job interview while Miss Williams won an honor mention for public speaking.

Valdosta Rolls Past Bainbridge

By JULIAN MILLER
Times Sports Writer
Valdosta High's baseball Wildcats rolled to an 8-1 victory over the Bainbridge Bearcats in a Region 1-AAA (South) game

here Tuesday and the win set the stage for a showdown with the Moultrie Packers.

With the triumph coach Joe Mercer's 'Cats boosted their overall record to 11-1 and upped their sub-region mark to 7-1. Meanwhile, Moultrie beat Thomasville Central 6-1, and the Packers also have a 7-1 league mark.

Valdosta and Moultrie will be meeting here Friday at 4 p.m. at Pendleton Park. Each will have to play another league game next Tuesday, but the victor Friday will take a long stride toward the sub-region crown. On Tuesday VHS will be playing Central and Moultrie will be meeting Thomasville, with both of those games at Thomasville.

The 1-AAA (South) champ, in turn, will meet the 1-AAA (North) victor in a playoff for the overall region championship.

Here yesterday, catcher Darrell Branam turned starting pitcher for the first time and came through with a three-hit hill performance.

Valdosta accounted for nine hits with five of them doubles.

Bainbridge	ab	r	h	rbi
Long, 2b	2	0	0	0
Strickland, ss	3	0	0	0
Banks, cf	2	1	0	0
Banks, cf	2	1	0	0
Cochran, 1b	3	0	1	1
Riles, lf	2	0	0	0
Dollar, 3b	3	0	0	0
Rollins, c	2	0	1	0
Smith, p	2	0	1	0
Porter, rf	2	0	0	0
Hill, ss-2b	1	0	0	0
Bryant, p	3	0	0	0
Thomas, rf	1	0	0	0
Edwards	0	0	0	0

TOTALS	ab	r	h	rbi
Valdosta	26	1	3	1
LeFiles, 2b	3	1	1	0
Roundtree, rf	3	2	0	0
Bounds, cf	4	1	1	0
Branam, p	1	0	0	0
Rowe, lf	3	1	1	1
Roberts, c	3	1	2	3
D. Demersseman, ss	3	1	1	0
K. Furth, 3b	3	0	2	2
P. Demersseman, 1b	3	0	1	0
Dame	0	1	0	0
Clarkston, rf	1	0	0	0
Marshall, lb	0	0	0	0
Parker, cf	0	0	0	0

TOTALS	ab	r	h	rbi
Bainbridge	27	8	9	6
Valdosta	000	001	0-1-3-3	
Valdosta	000	350	x-8-9-0	

E - Long 2, Dollar.
DP - D. Demersseman to LeFiles to P. Demersseman.
LOB - Valdosta 2, Bainbridge 5.
2B - P. Demersseman, Bounds, Roberts, Rowe, K. Furth, Cochran.

	ip	h	r	bb	so
Branam (W)	7	3	1	5	6
Smith (L)	5	9	8	1	3
Bryant	1	0	0	0	2

HBP - Long by Branam; LeFiles by Smith.
WP - Smith.

Wildcats Capture 1-AAA Golf Title

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

ALBANY — With Mike Fambrough again leading the way, the Valdosta High Wildcats repeated as Region 1-AAA golf champions here Tuesday.

Fambrough and teammates Terry Heirs, Ricky Martin and Pearce Scott combined their talents for a 295 total to give coach Buck Davis, 'Cats their second region links crown in as many years.

Westover (Albany) was second in the team standings with a 313 total, eight strokes off the very fast pace set by Valdosta. The order of finish for the other four teams in the field were Dougherty (Albany), 315; Tift County (Tifton), 316; Moultrie, 332; and Crisp County (Cordele), 350.

Just as he did in 1970, Fambrough came away with individual honors in the tourney. He put together nine-hole scores of 34-34 for a 68, four below par for the Radium Springs Country Club course. Hiers had 38-36-74; Martin returned 37-39-76 and Scott shot 39-38-77.

Second on the individual list with a 73 was Tift's Joe Corry. Hiers, with his 74, finished in a tie for third with Dick Clark Jr. of Dougherty and Cliff Owens of Westover. VHS, Martin was sixth and Scott was seventh in the individual standings.

While no one has kept a tally down through the years, the 295



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Region Champs: Top, Martin and Fambrough, Bottom, Hiers and Scott.

total registered by the Wildcats is certainly one of the best, and possibly the lowest ever, in the history of the 1-AAA tourney.

As the 1-AAA champs the Valdosta team has earned a berth in the state Class AAA tournament, which is slated for May 12 at Marietta. Last year VHS finished fourth in the state test.

Fambrough and Martin are seniors while Scott and Hiers are juniors. All except Hiers played on the Wildcats, region championship team in 1970.

Besides the four who played for VHS here Tuesday, David Evans is another member of the 'Dosta team who saw action during the regular season.

He Feels Teens Bringing Change

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Music and the chance to be of service to someone else are the two major reasons young people are beginning to return to the churches, says Andre Johnson.

And Johnson, a 17-year-old Valdosta High School senior, should know. The son of the Rev. and Mrs. Daniel Johnson of 612 N. Oak St., he is a member of the generation that is now finding meaning in their life through religion.

Churches are changing now. And I think the young people are the biggest reasons. The music was stilted and lacked what was going on today so young people rejected it. The church didn't offer anything," said Johnson.

The same hymns and music became as boring to the youth as the sermons. Neither had any real meaning to the teenagers.

"Most of the preachers were out of touch. They stayed up in the pulpit and talked about going to hell. The things that needed talking about never were. Young people weren't getting anything so they just quit," said Johnson.

A member of the Valdosta High School exclusive Lab Band for top music students, Johnson has studied music for six years. It is the most important thing in his life.

"But for such a long time, church music just didn't have the action. You couldn't get

anything out of it. Now, it's in tune with today's world," said the student.

And the ministers are stepping down from the pulpit and taking the religion into the streets, he said.

"They're going to the people now instead of waiting for the people to come to them," said Johnson.

Young people are also making themselves useful in the kindergartens and day care centers provided by the churches.

"It's just a whole new way of expressing ourselves and doing something useful at the same time," he said.

Johnson feels so strongly about music and the relevancy of songs that he directs a group called the Community Choir. The group is composed of students from the VHS and the Lowndes High choruses. The group has been singing together for two years. Under Johnson's direction, they sing religious and popular tunes.

The choir sings at church functions, school events, funerals and upon special request. Their last public appearance was at the Second Annual Race Relations Award Program Feb. 14.

"We don't have weekly rehearsals or anything like that. We just get together when someone asks us and then we practice," said Johnson.

The group performed togeth-

er in the chorus at the former Pinevale High School here. The school was converted to the VHS-Pinevale Campus for ninth graders after the Valdosta Board of Education put all 10th-12th graders at VHS in the fall of 1969.

Johnson plays the piano for the group but the arrangements are his own. He plays by ear on the keyboard.

A versatile and talented musician according to band directors here, Johnson plays every instrument but the flute and piccolo.

He plays tenor sax for the lab band and keeps a piano and trombone in his home. "Anytime I don't have anything to do I play the piano or the trombone. I'm that crazy about music," said Johnson.

Johnson started off on drums in the sixth grade then moved on to the baritone horn. From there he mastered one instrument after another.

"I don't know what I want to do with my music. I want to learn all I can but whether I go into entertainment depends on how well I do in college," said Johnson.

He has music scholarships to Florida A and M University in Tallahassee and Bethune-Cookman College of Daytona Beach, Fla., but has not decided which he'll accept.



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Andre Johnson at Rehearsal: Music Provided New Way of Self Expression

'The Rainmaker' Coming To VHS

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

"The Rainmaker" is coming to Valdosta High School Friday and Saturday nights.

Sponsored by the junior class to raise money for the 1971 yearbook, the play is at 8:14 p.m. in the VHS auditorium.

"That's because people will remember the 8:14 time but will forget 8:15," said Mrs. John McRae, speech teacher and play director.

The three-act romantic comedy written by N. Richard Nash was made into a movie which starred Burt Lancaster and Katherine Hepburn.

Robin Robinson, a sophomore, plays the rainmaker, Bill Starbuck, the role Lancaster held. Lizzie Curry is portrayed by Deborah Wells, a senior.

Others in the cast include Frank Blair, Noah Curry; Tony Powell, H. C. Curry; Al Willis, Jim Curry; Ernie Carter, File, and Tom Odom, Sheriff Thomas.

Anita Sloan, a junior, is the student director for the production.

The set was designed by Mrs. McRae's husband and constructed by the cast.

The play's action takes place out West in the early 1900's during a severe drought. There is a drought on the Curry farm and within Lizzie, the daughter.

"Starbuck, the rainmaker comes at the time when he is needed most by Lizzie and the family. In the end he brings rain to the farm and to Lizzie," said Mrs. McRae.

Tickets for the production are to be on sale at the door.



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Dancing After Rain: Valdosta High's Tom Odom and Deborah Wells

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Two local Distributive Education Club members are running for state office and another Valdostan is to help preside over the annual state DE Leadership Conference which begins in Atlanta Sunday.

The office seekers are Daniel Parker, a junior at Lowndes High School, and JoLynn Johnston, a junior at Valdosta High School. Parker is running for state parliamentarian while Miss Johnston is after the secretary's position.

Robert Orr, a VHS junior, replaces David Hunt, a VHS senior, as the Southwest District chairman for DE Clubs. Hunt is to preside during some of the state conference events and Orr is to be installed as the new representative.

Besides the candidates, other DE students from both local high schools are to make the trip and compete for state honors in everything from advertising to surveys.

Lowndes High's Debbie Mayer is competing for ad-

VHS Artists Plan Library Exhibit

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta High School art students are setting up an exhibit this weekend in the Carnegie Regional Library here.

The exhibit, to be open to the public for the first time Monday, is to be in the library art gallery for the remainder of the month.

This is the first time the VHS art youth have had a show in the public library. Art teacher Jerry Pilcher said the school has been asked several times to put up displays but that this is the first time the students have accepted the invitation.

Other entertainment for local and area young people includes the premier performance of the Valdosta Symphony Orchestra at 8:15 p. m. today at Whitehead Auditorium in the Fine Arts Building at Valdosta State College.

Tickets are available at the door.

The Valdosta Community Band is to give an open air concert in Brookwood Park at 3 p. m. Sunday. In the event of rain the performance is to be held at Whitehead Auditorium.

A country music show featuring Conway Twitty and the Twitty Birds is set for 3 p. m. at the Lowndes High School Martin Stadium. Tickets for the event are to be sold at the gate.

The opening of the Student Art Exhibition is to be held Monday from 2:30-5 p. m. in the Fine Arts Gallery at VSC. There are 22 VSC seniors who have paintings, drawings, sculpture, weaving, macrame and ceramics on exhibition for the rest of the month.

VSC Honors Day Convocation is set for Wednesday at 11:15 a. m. at Whitehead Auditorium. More than 250 VSC students are to be recognized during the program.

A tennis match is to be held at 2 p. m. Wednesday at the VSC courts when the local collegians go against Jacksonville University.

VSC meets Columbus College in a baseball game on the college's North Campus at 3 p. m.

1-AAA Net Titles Split Four Ways

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

ALBANY — Players from Moultrie, Bainbridge, Crisp County and Thomasville claimed title honors in the Region 1-AAA boys and girls tennis tournament here Friday.

In singles competition Moultrie's Preston Congor won in the boys' division and Crisp's Patsy Dean triumphed in the girls division.

The boys doubles' crown was claimed by the Bainbridge duo of Vann Chatraw - Tim Young. The winner in the girls doubles division was the Thomasville team of Carlo Thornton - Joy Allgood.

They will all represent 1-AAA in the state Class AAA tennis tournament.

Valdosta had three individual players and a pair of doubles teams which reached the semi-finals.

In the boys singles Valdosta's Morgan Fordham beat Dougherty's Roy Glover, 6-0, 6-1, in the first round and trimmed Monroe's Marvin Miller, 6-0, 6-3, in the second round. Fordham fell before Moultrie's Congor, 6-1, 7-5, in the semi-finals.

In the lower bracket, Valdosta's Bob Connell got by Crisp's Ray Darley, 6-1, 6-0, in the first round and defeated Bainbridge's Hoke Smith, 6-1, 6-0, in the second round. Connell was beaten by Moultrie's Warren Kirk, 6-2, 6-0, in the semi-finals.

In doubles play, the Valdosta duo of Ronald Moore - Mike Parrish dropped a 7-5, 6-0, decision to the Moultrie twosome

of Shammoun - Grimmitt in the first round.

Valdosta's Scotty Slocum-Tommy Webb beat Dougherty's Johnson - James, 6-4, 6-3, and Crisp's Waldrip - Shell, 6-0, 6-3 before falling before Thomasville's Balfour - Hunter, 6-3, 6-2, in the semi-finals.

In girls doubles the VHS team of Carolyn Shenton-Joy Johnson reached the semi-finals before bowing to Crisp's Sandy Bussee-Rita Rogers, 6-2, 6-2. Another VHS duo, Ann Holland-Anne Franklin, fell in the first round to Albany's Darleen Driscoll - Sharon Bright, 6-0, 6-0.

In the girls singles the Kittens' Maggie LaMontagne reached the semi-finals, then was beaten by Albany's Dian Benford, 6-1, 6-0. VHS' Alan Mosley went down before Dougherty's Jenny Rogers, 6-2, 6-1, in the opening round.

"We played our best tennis of the season," Mrs. Martha Isgett, the Kittens' coach said, "I was very, very proud of all of our players."

Central Victor In Track Meet

By JULIAN MILLER

Central's Yellow Jackets actually got off to a slow start in the first two events, but you could never tell it after the next three as they compiled 79 points and took first place in a four-team track meet here Monday.

Valdosta's Wildcats finished second with 49 points, followed closely by Lowndes Vikings with

42, and Georgia Christian's Generals from Dasher, with six.

The Yellow Jackets from Thomasville were paced by Jeff Hadley, who took first place in the long jump, with a 20'11 7/8" hop, second in the high jump and fourth in the 100-yard dash.

High point men for the day was Valdosta's Clifford Bradley and Lowndes' Charles Ussery, with 10 points each.

Bradley chalked-up his points with wins in the 100-yard dash and 220 yard dash. Ussery, who joined his younger brother, Chester Ussery, to make the two-mile run a "family affair," was first in that event and the mile run. Chester ran a close second to his brother, both well ahead of the rest of the field, in the two-mile.

Royce Howard led the way for the Generals, who only participated in a few events while waiting for the Region 1-C meet to open in Thomasville today. Howard tossed the shot a blistering 50'11" to win that event for five of the GCS' six points.

Valdosta, Lowndes and Central will be among the teams taking part in the Region 1-AAA (South) meet this coming Friday at Thomasville.

Shot — Howard (G), Johnson (C), Jackson (L), Lott (L), D—50'11".

Discus — Hitchcock (L), Goble (L), Lott (L), Iby (V), D—135'12".

Long jump — Hadley (C), Daniels (L), Highsmith (C), Carter (C), D—20'11 7/8".

Triple jump — Carter (C), Coachman (V), Highsmith (C), Taylor (C), D—39'2".

Pole vault — Taylor (C), Ricket (C), Benton (L), Wilkins (G), H—12'0".

High jump — Jones (V), Hadley (C), Rountree (V), Butler (T), H—5'10".

440 relay — Central, Valdosta, Central, Lowndes, T—:44.3.

Mile run — Charles Ussery (L), Johnson (C), Fiveash (V), Travis (C), T—4:46.6.

440 dash — McEachin (C), Rome (V), Swain (C), Washington (L), T—:51.1.

100 yard dash — Bradley (V), Swain (C), King (V), Hadley (C), T—:10.1.

High hurdles — Bannister (C), Daniels (L), Rountree (V), Fletcher (L), T—:15.4.

880-run — Hart (C), Butler (C), Saunders (L), Graham (L), T—2:03.4.

220-dash — Bradley (V), King (V), Swain (C), Lehman (C), T—:22.9.

Low Hurdles — Rountree (V), Sanders (C), Daniels (L), Bannister (C), T—:20.8.

Two-mile — Charles Ussery (L), Chester Ussery (L), Fisher (V), Donaldson (C), T—10:45.6.

Mile relay — Valdosta, Central, Central, Central, T—3:35.2.

Valdosta Notches

Win Over T'ville

By SAMMY GLASSMAN

Valdosta High's Wilcats chalked up a neat 6-1 baseball victory over the Thomasville Bulldogs here Tuesday and now own a share of first place in the Region 1-AAA (South) race.

While coach Joe Mercer's 'Cats were turning back T'ville, Lowndes' Vikings were knocking off Moultrie's Packers, 4-2,

VHS Golfers Win Pair And Tie One

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High's golfing Wildcats came away with a tie and two victories in a four-way match at Albany Tuesday and also got the word that their No. 1 man Mike Fambrough has decided to continue his links career next fall at the University of Georgia.

Coach Buck Davis' 'Cats and Dougherty's Trojans finished even with four-man team totals of 301. Both outdistanced Westover (Albany), which had a 308 total, and Worth County (Sylvester), which had a 349 tally. The VHS team now owns a 6-1-1 record.

The day's individual low round was a 68 shot by Dougherty's Dickie Clark. Fambrough and Westover's Cliff Owens were next in line with 70's.

Fambrough, an 18-year-old senior at VHS, has indicated he plans to accept the offer of a golf scholarship from Georgia. One of the state's most talented young players, Fambrough considered offers from Houston, Tennessee, LSU, Georgia Tech and Austin Peavy before deciding to cast his lot with the Bulldogs next fall.

In 1970 Mike won the Region 1-AAA individual title, triumphed in both the Georgia Golf Association and the Jaycees' state junior tourneys, was a semi-finalist in the United State Golf Association's national junior event and won the Valdosta Country Club's annual Jack Oliver Invitational.

Individual scores in the match at Albany yesterday follow:

VALDOSTA (301) — Mike Fambrough 35-35-70; Terry Hiers 38-37-75; Ricky Martin 36-40-76; Pearce Scott 40-40-80.

DOUGHERTY (301) — Dickie Clark 35-33-68; Robert Segler 35-40-75; Danny Shine 41-36-77; Charles Costello 39-42-81.

WESTOVER (308) — John Shingler 40-37-77; Cliff Owens 36-34-70; Billy Abel 40-41-81; Manghan Children 40-40-80.

WORTH (349) — Larry Dearigo 38-41-79; Lanier Balbass 44-43-87; Skip Culberth 45-43-88; Glenn Forehand 45-50-95.

in a game at Moultrie.

That combination left Valdosta and Moultrie tied for first in the sub-division standings with matching 4-1 league records. The 'Cats now have a 7-1 overall mark and the Packers are 7-2 in all games. Both have five more sub-region games to play.

Next start for Valdosta will be against Lowndes in a game set for 4 p. m. here Thursday at Pendleton Park.

Against Thomasville the 'Cats combined a three-hit hill performance by sophomore left-hander Gary Rowe with an 11-hit attack of their own. The lone run off of Rowe, which came in the second inning, was unearned. His hill record is now 3-1.

VHS got its runs three at a time in the fourth and fifth innings.

A triple by Stanley Bounds started the Valdosta uprising in the fourth. It was followed by singles by Darrell Branam, Rowe, Jim Clarkston and Duncan Fordham.

To get their three runs in the fifth the 'Cats mixed a double by Paul Demersseman with singles by Rowe, Branam, David Demersseman and Clarkston. They also had the advantage of a walk, a passed ball and a Thomasville error.

Thomasville	ab	r	h	rb	hr	bi
Sampson, 3b	3	0	0	0	0	0
Floyd, p-2b	3	0	1	0	0	0
Heard, 2b-p	3	0	0	0	0	0
Peeples, c	3	0	1	0	0	0
Willis, 1b	3	0	0	0	0	0
Mobley, lf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Mott, lf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monk, cf	2	1	1	0	0	0
Lamb, ss	3	0	0	0	0	0
Meeks	1	0	0	0	0	0
Williams, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Kennedy, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	27	1	3	0	0	0
Valdosta	ab	r	h	rb	hr	bi
Leffles, 2b	4	0	0	0	0	0
Roberts, 3b	3	0	0	0	0	0
Branam, c	2	2	2	1	0	0
Hilton	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bounds, cf	4	1	1	0	0	0
Rowe, p	4	1	3	1	0	0
C. Furth	0	0	0	0	0	0
P. Demersseman, 1b	4	1	1	1	1	0
P. Demersseman, ss	3	1	1	0	0	0
K. Furth, ss	0	0	0	0	0	0
Clarkston, lf	3	0	2	1	0	0
Parka, lf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fordham, rf	2	0	1	0	0	0
Marshall, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	29	6	11	4	1	0
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Valdosta	000	330	x-6	11-5		

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LOB — Thomasville 5, Valdosta 10.

2B — P. Demersseman, Floyd.

3B — Bounds.

SB — Roberts, Heard.

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WP — Floyd.

PB — Peeples.

Valdosta, Carver Tangle At Albany

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High's basketball Wildcats are to meet Carver's Tigers at Albany tonight with both teams in a win-or-bow-out situations.

Coach Joe Wilson's 'Cats and coach John Jones' Tigers from Columbus are to tangle at 8 p. m. at the Albany High gym in a first round game of the state Class AAA playoffs.

The Valdosta - Carver affair will be one of 16 similar playoff games staged around the state this weekend between winners and runners-up from Georgia's eight "AAA" prep leagues.

The eight winners this weekend will move to Atlanta next Tuesday for four more days of competition there which will determine the 1971 state Class AAA championship.

"We've got to win tonight or its all over," Wilson said. "Our boys will give it all they've got, I'm sure of that. But Carver is tall and talented. We've got our work cut out for us."

The Wildcats, with a 16-6 record, are the Region 1-AAA champions. Carver, with a 19-4 mark, in the runners-up for Region 2-AAA, a league which has been turning out very strong basketball teams for many years.

This is the second year in a row the hoop 'Cats have made the playoffs. They fell before

Ballard - Hudson of Macon in game. the first round in 1970.

Probable starters for VHS are 6-6 Roger Rome, 6-3 Stanford Rome, 6-0 Stanley Bounds, 5-11 Dan Johnson and 5-11 David Demersseman.

Roger Rome is the 'Cats' leader. He's been averaging 21.5 points and 20 rebounds per

Carver is paced by Fessor (Moose) Leonard, a 7-1 senior center who is averaging 23.4 points and 24 rebounds per contest. Another of the Tigers' top guns is 5-11 guard Jesse Willis. He's averaging in double figures.

'Dosta Golfers In Region Meet

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High's Wildcats were to be in the field when the Region 1AAA golf tournament was played today at Albany.

The tourney was originally scheduled to be held on Thursday at the Albany Naval Air Station course, a nine hole layout.

But VHS golf coach Buck Davis was notified Monday morning that the tourney had been moved up to Tuesday and would be played over the Radium Springs Country Club course in Albany.

"Pat Field of Albany, who is chairman for the tourney, called up and told us about the change," Davis said. "I'm really not sure what the change is all about."

"Field said that he felt we might have difficulty finishing the tourney in one day at the Naval Air Station course since it is just nine holes. Anyway, we're going to Albany and do the very best we can."

VHS won the 1-AAA team title in 1970 and the Wildcats' number one man, Mike Fambrough, came away with individual honors. They're sure to be contenders for both honors again today.

Other Wildcat squad members are Ricky Martin, Pearce Scott, David Evans and Terry Hiers.

Dougherty's Trojans have a very strong team and a standout individual performer in Dick Clark Jr., who is the son of Radium Springs pro Dick Clark Sr.

The individual medalist and the winning team in today's 1-AAA tourney will qualify for the state Class AAA tournament, which is set for May 10 in Atlanta.

Track Interest Begins To Build

It doesn't figure that either the Valdosta Wildcats or Lowndes Vikings are going to be strong challengers for team honors in either the Region 1-AAA (South) or the overall 1-AAA meets this spring.

But interest in the sport at both schools is building and the two teams are showing definite signs of improvement.

VHS has one of its youngest and least experienced track teams in several years, but coaches Charlie Greene and Edward Jones have the 'Cats moving in the right direction.

"We have quite a few squad members, many of them young, who have worked very hard this spring and we're certainly pleased with that," Greene said. "I think we're going to win some points in both the sub-region and region meets. We will if we continue to improve."

The foursome of Dan Johnson, Tony King, Clifford Bradley and Stanford Rome has shown very well in both the mile and 440 relay events in recent meets.

Bradley has also been turning in respectable times in the 100-yard and 220-yard dash events and Rome has looked good in the 440-yard run.

And just last week George Rountree turned in his best times of the season in both the low and high hurdlers.

Among those we've mentioned, Johnson is a senior, Bradley is a junior, Rountree is a sophomore, and King and Rome are freshmen. This gives you an idea of what Greene means when he says some of VHS' younger candidates are doing well.

Rebuilding Year

Lowndes coaches Newnan Sanchez and Ralph Council are also working with a relatively inexperienced squad. This is the first year the Vikes have had a track on their own campus which they could use for practice during the whole season.

"This is definitely a rebuilding year for us," Sanchez said. "Actually, we have several boys who do well in several events. What we lack right now are enough exceptional performers, the kind who can get you a lot of points in a sub-region or region meet. But we're hoping to qualify some for the state meet. I think we're making progress."

"We'd like to see a lot more interest in track at our school. That's what we're working toward."

Among the Vikes' top performers this spring are hurdler Elbert Daniels, distance runners Chester Ussery and Charles Ussery, shot putters Billy Lott and Rocky Johnson and discus thrower Chuck Hitchcock.

Central Favored

If you haven't seen either the Valdosta or Lowndes track teams in action, you'll have a chance to see them both on Wednesday. They, along with coach Jon Hazelip's Georgia Christian School (Dasher) Generals, will hook up in a three-way meet set for 3:30 p.m. at the track on the Valdosta Junior High campus.

This year both the 1-AAA (South) and 1-AAA meets will be held at Central High in Thomasville. The sub-division event is set for May 7 and the region affair is on tap for May 14.

Central's Yellow Jackets will be favored to take the team title in both meets. This is the Thomasville school's first year in 1-AAA, but Central was a state power in track at the Class A level before moving up two notches on the classification chart.

If the Jackets are to get a strong challenge in the 1-AAA meet, it will likely come from Monroe (Albany).

And that's the way things stand with the finish of the prep track season just around the corner.

Sub-Region Meet Led By Central

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

THOMASVILLE — Trackmen from Lowndes and Valdosta were among the top three 14 events of the Region 1-AAA (South) meet held here Friday.

The first three finishers in each event in the sub-region meet held yesterday at the Central High school track are to meet the top three in each event from the north back at Central next Friday in the Region meet.

Teams were only interested in qualifying for the region meet, so no point totals were kept. Still it was apparent Central and Bainbridge were ahead.

The host Yellow Jackets chalked up eight wins, two second and four thirds. The Bearcats from Bainbridge had three firsts, four seconds and six thirds.

Coach Charles Green's Valdosta Wildcats qualified with first place finishes in the 100-yard dash and 220-yard dash with Clifford Bradley topping each event. They had six seconds, including both relay races with Stanley Rome, Bradley, George Rountree and King doing the honors. Rome was second in the 440.

Randy Fiveash was second in the 880, and Ricky Griffis and Rusty Jones were second in the broad jump and high jump respectively. Tony King was third in the 100-yard dash.

Dan Johnson, who had qualified to run in the relays, sustained a crack knee cap in warmups and was scratched from the meet. Green said he wouldn't be available for the region meet, but may be qualified for the state meet later.

Charles Ussery racked up first place wins for Lowndes' Vikings in the mile and two mile runs. Rocky Jackson and Dick Lott placed second and third in the shot, while Elbert Daniels chalked up a third place finish in the high hurdles for the Vikings.

First three places in each event with winners' times, distances or heights follow:

440 relay — Bainbridge, Valdosta (King, Rountree, Rome, Bradley), Central. T:43.8.

Mile run — Charles Ussery (L), Johnson (C), Corker (B). T:4:38.8.

100 Dash — Bradley (V), Davis (B), King (V). T:10.2.

440 run — McEachin (C), Rome (V), Scull (T). T:50.5.

High hurdles — Bannister (C), Sims (B), Daniels (L). T:15.3.

880 run — Hart (C), Fiveash (V), Jenkins (B). T:2:02.4.

Low hurdles — Rountree (V), Bannister (C), Sanders (C). T:20.8.

220 Run — Bradley (V), Davis (B), Howard (B). T:22.9.

Two Mile — Charles Ussery (L), Babon (T), Corker (B). T:10:24.0.

Mile Relay — Central, Valdosta (King, Rountree, Rome, Bradley), Bainbridge. T:3:29.9.

Shot — Johnson (C), Jackson (L), Lott (L). D:51' 11".

Discus — Thigpen (B), Drake (T), Mattox (T). D:146' 11".

Broad Jump — Hadley (C), Griffis (V), Thigpen (B). D:20' 4 1/2".

Triple Jump — Ivey — Ivey (C), Clark (B), Carter (C). H:40' 11".

High Jump — Smith (B), Jones (V), Hadley (C). H:6' 2".

Pole Vault — Taylor (C), Parrish (T), Kirksey (B). H:12.

Rebs, 'Cats Are Halted By Rains

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Rain here Monday washed out baseball games Valdosta State College's Rebels and Valdosta High's Wildcats had scheduled.

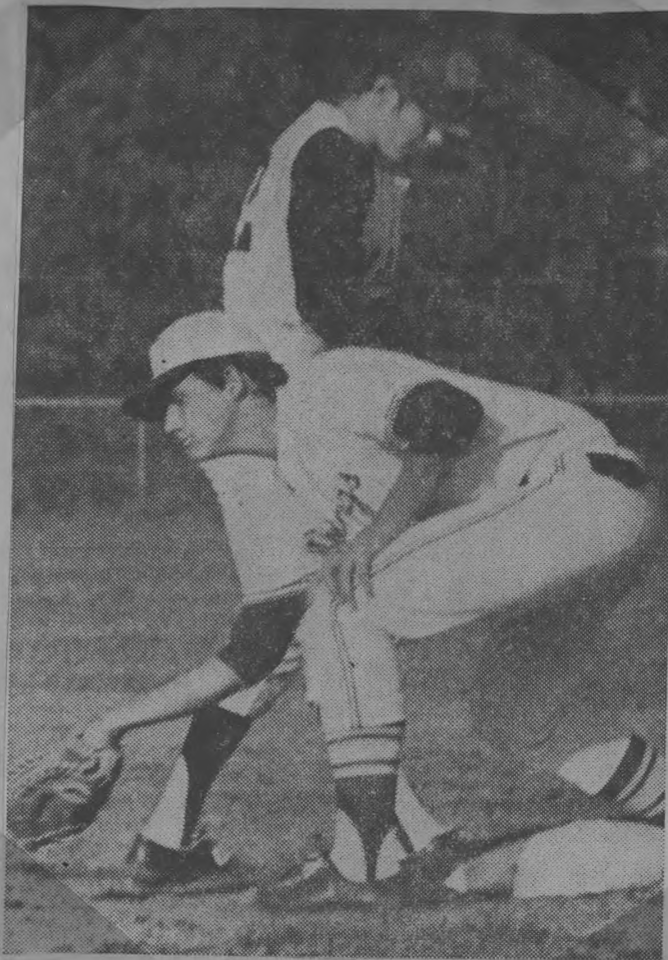
A duel between coach Tommy Thomas' Rebs and the Erskine College Flying Fleet from Due West, S. C., was postponed. VSC and Erskine were to meet in a doubleheader beginning here today at 1:30 p. m.

Coach Joe Mercer's Valdosta High Wildcats had a 1-0 lead over the Coffee County Comets from Douglas when rain halted that tilt in the top of the fourth inning.

Since it was a non-region match, Mercer said it is unlikely that the game, which was to be the Wildcats' season opener, will be rescheduled.

The Wildcats are to go against the Waycross Bulldogs at Waycross on Wednesday in a non-league tilt. They are to get their first taste of 1-AAA (South) competition when they play Thomasville at Thomasville on Friday. On Saturday VHS is to meet non-region opponent Ware County (Waycross) in a twin-bill set to begin at 1 p.m. here at Pendleton Park.

After meeting Erskine here today, Valdosta State is to go to Savannah on Saturday for a doubleheader with Armstrong State College's Pirates.



—Times Staff Photo

VHS' Eddie Roberts Gets Back To First In Time

'Cats Top Vikes In League Duel

By JULIAN MILLER
Times Sports Writer

With the help of a 13-run outburst in the fourth inning the Valdosta Wildcats posted a 22-5 victory over the Lowndes Vikings in a Region 1-AAA (South) high school baseball game here Tuesday.

Coach Joe Mercer's 'Cats rapped out 18 hits as they triumphed in the first of two meetings this year with coach Noel George's Vikes.

It was the sub-division opener for both teams. VHS is now 4-0 for the season and Lowndes now has a 1-3 overall mark.

The game was originally scheduled to be played at Pendleton Park, Valdosta's home field. It was moved to the diamond on the Lowndes campus because that field was in better playing condition after recent rains. When the two meet later in the season it will be at Pendleton Park.

Lowndes is to return to action today, hosting loop foe Thomasville, Valdosta will be at Bainbridge on Friday for a sub-division test.

After three innings the Vikings had a 5-3 lead, then the Wildcats broke the game wide

open with a 13-run uprising in the top of the fourth.

The VHS rally started after two men were out. Before it was over the Wildcats had mixed two singles, three doubles and three triples with four walks and a pair of LHS errors to produce their big run total.

Stanley Bounds went the distance on the hill for the 'Cats and posted his second win without a loss. Wayne Phillips, the Vikes' mound starter, took the loss.

Left fielder Gary Rowe slammed a triple and three doubles accounted for three RBIs to lead the attack for Valdosta. Jimmy LeFiles had a double and two singles and knocked in four runners.

Lonnie Mitchell had a single, double and two RBIs to lead the Lowndes attack.

Valdosta	ab	r	h	rbi
LeFiles 2b	5	2	3	4
Rountree rf	5	4	2	0
Bounds p	6	2	2	3
Branam c	5	4	2	2
Rowe lf	6	2	4	3
D. Demersseman ss	6	1	2	3
Roberts 3b	3	1	1	1
Furth	2	1	0	0
Parker lf	3	2	0	0
Marshall lb	3	2	2	2
P. Demersseman	0	0	0	0

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Lowndes	ab	r	h	rbi
Linahan 3b-lf	3	1	0	0
Spriggs c	4	2	1	0
Mitchell ss	4	1	2	2
B. Smith lf-rf	2	1	2	2
Haines 2b	3	0	1	1
DeLoach cf	3	0	1	0
Glissom lb	2	0	1	0
Lehman rf	3	0	0	0
Lamon 3b	0	0	0	0
Phillips p	1	0	0	0
Radcliffe p	1	0	0	0
Carter p	1	0	0	0

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Valdosta	102 (13)23	1-22-18-7
Lowndes	302	0 00 0-5-8-10
E —	Lehman, Linahan, Phillips,	
	Haines 3, Mitchell, Spriggs 2, DeLoach,	
	LeFiles 4, D. Demersseman 2, Roberts,	
LOB —	Lowndes 4, Valdosta,	
2B —	Mitchell, Smith, LeFiles, Rowe	
3, Marshall, Branam,		
3B —	Rountree, D. Demersseman,	
Rowe, Marshall, Bounds,		
SF —	LeFiles	

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Phillips (L)	3-2-3	11	12	3	6
Radcliffe	2	6	8	6	0
Carter	11-3	1	2	1	2
Bounds (W)	7	8	5	3	5

WP — Phillips, Radcliffe, Bounds.

'Cats, Packers Clash Saturday

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A playoff between Valdosta's Wildcats and Moultrie's Packers for the Region 1-AAA (South) high school baseball crown is to be held Saturday at 3 p.m. in Thomasville.

Originally set to be played today, the tilt was changed to Saturday because of a ruling by the Georgia High School Association that it can't be played at the same time as the Region 1-AAA (South) track meet, which is scheduled this afternoon in Thomasville.

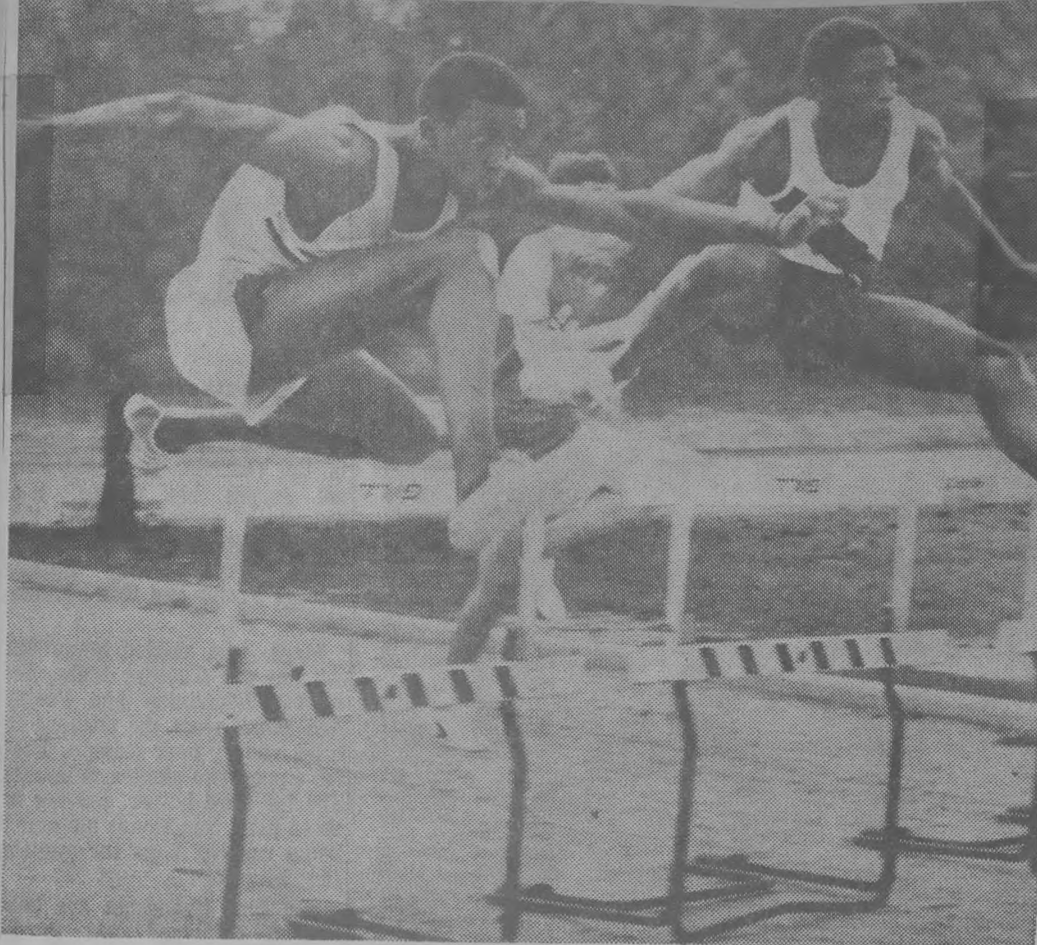
The winner of Saturday's baseball game at Thomasville's Varnedoe Stadium will earn the

right to play the top team from the Northern sub-division for the Region 1-AAA crown.

Valdosta and Moultrie finished with matching 8-2 league records in the final regular season standings for 1-AAA (South). The 'Cats are 11-2 in all games and the Packers have an 11-3 overall chart.

In the northern half of the loop Albany, Tift County (Tifton) and Crisp County (Cordele) finished in a tie for first with matching 7-3 records.

They will need a three-way playoff to decide the issue, but when and where it will be held are still up in the air.



—Times Staff Photo

'Cats' George Roundtree (L), Vikes' Elbert Daniels Get Even Start In High Hurdles

Valdosta Victor In Track Meet

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats racked-up eight first place finishes to take team honors in a three-way track meet here Wednesday.

The 'Cats wound up with 80½ points, followed by Lowndes' Vikings, 64, and Georgia Chris-

tians' Generals from Dasher, 28½.

Dan Johnson led the point collecting for Valdosta with first place finishes in the triple jump and 440-yard dash, and second place in the long jump.

Lowndes' Elbert Daniels edged

out victories in both hurdles events to lead the scoring for the Vikings. Georgia Christian's Tim Vick led the way in the mile and 880.

The triple jump was highlighted by Valdosta cindermen taking all four places.

Georgia Christian's Royce Howard tossed the shot a 50'2" and looked as though he had the event won when Lowndes' Rock Jackson came in to top the throw by four and one-half inches.

The first four places in each event with the winners' heights, distances and times follow:

Shot Put — Jackson (L), Howard (G), Lott (L), Hitchcock (L), D-50' 6½".
Discus — Hitchcock (L), Howard (G), Goble (L), Irby (V), D-131' 7".
Long jump — Rome (V), Johnson (V), Griffiths (V), Daniels (L), D-20' 3".
Triple jump — Johnson (V), Rome (V), Griffiths (V), Coachman (V), D-40' 2".
Pole vault — Taylor (G), Benton (L), Copeland (V), H-9' 6".
High jump — Jones (V), Roundtree (V), Taylor (G), Connell (V), H-5' 10".
440 relay — Valdosta, Lowndes, Lowndes, Valdosta, T-44.4.
Mile run — Vick (G), Charles Ussery (L), Chester Ussery (L), Benton (L), T-4:46.
440 run — Johnson (V), Rome (V), Maldon (V), Sanders (L), T-52.8.
100-yard dash — Bradley (V), King (V), Henry (L), Harris (L), T-10.1.
High hurdles — Daniels (L), Roundtree (V), Taylor (G), Coachman (V), T-15.4.
880 run — Vick (G), Fiveash (V), Holder (L), Sanders (L), T-2:07.5.
220-dash — Bradley (V), King (V), Henderson (L), Washington (L), T-22.9.
Low hurdles — Daniel (L), Roundtree (V), Fletcher (L), Williams (L), T-21.0.
Two-mile run — Charles Ussery (L), Sirmans (G), Benton (L), Fisher (V), T-11:09.
Mile relay — Valdosta, Lowndes, Valdosta, Lowndes, T-3:37.2.

VHS Golf Team Wins In Opener

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High's Wildcats got their 1971 golf season underway here Friday with a 20-stroke victory over the R.E. Lee Rebels from Thomaston.

Coach Buck Davis' 'Cats finished with a five-man team total of 392 in the stroke play match staged over the Valdosta Country Club course. R. E. Lee had a 412 total.

VHS' Mike Fambrough took medalist honors for the day with a one-over par 73 in the match which started under overcast skies and wound up in the rain.

The Wildcats' Pearce Scott caused some excitement when he scored an eagle three on the par-five, 507-yard third hole. He sank a 40-foot chip shot from the edge of the green.

Valdosta is to return to action next Thursday when it meets Region 1-AAA foe Tift County in a match at Tifton.

Individual scoring in yesterday's match follow:

VALDOSTA (392) — Mike Fambrough 37-36-73; Ricky Martin 37-38-75; Pearce Scott 42-41-83; David Evans 42-41-3; Terry Hiers 37-41-78.

R. E. LEE (412) — Jim Edenfield 38-37-75; John Edenfield 43-41-84; Doug Head 38-42-80; Russ Head 45-42-87; Al Gilbert 43-43-86.

'Cats, Vikes Have Games Rained Out

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Both the Lowndes Vikings and Valdosta Wildcats had Region 1-AAA (South) baseball games washed out by rain Friday.

Coach Noel George's Vikes were to meet the Moultrie Packers here. Coach Joe Mercer's 'Cats were to go against the Thomasville Bulldogs at Thomasville. Wet weather forced the postponement of both tilts.

New dates for both games will be picked later.

Valdosta was to see action here today, meeting non-region foe Ware County (Waycross) in a doubleheader which was to begin at 1 p.m. at Pendleton Park.

Next Tuesday Lowndes and Valdosta are to meet in a game set for 4 p.m. at Pendleton Park.

An area team, Cook of Adel, also had a contest with Norman Park rained out Friday. It has been rescheduled for May 10.

VHS Tennis Teams Bow In Matches

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER
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Valdosta High's Wildcats and Kittens took it on the chin in a pair of tennis matches played here Monday.

The 'Cats dropped a 6-1 decision to Moultrie while the Kittens were beaten by Berrien (Nashville, Ga.), 5-2.

Both VHS teams are to play Albany at Wednesday.

Results in yesterday's matches follow:

Boys

SINGLES — Preston Conger (M) beat Morgan Fordham (V), 6-1, 6-3; Warren Kirk (M) beat Scotty Slocum (V), 6-2, 6-1; Mike Chammon (M) beat Ronald Moore (V), 6-3, 6-3; Ashe Grimmit (M) beat Bob Connell (V), 6-3, 6-3.

DOUBLES — Chammon-Grimmit (M) beat Fordham-Slocum (V), 6-2, 6-1; Conger-Bill Acuff (M) beat Moore-Connell (V), 6-0, 8-6; Mike Franzago-Mike Parrish (V) beat Sam Whatley-Robert Knox (M), 6-3, 3-6, 6-4.

Girls

SINGLES — Brenda Watson (B) beat Carolyn Shenton (V), 6-1, 6-0; Judy Browning (B) beat Joy Johnson (V), 6-0, 6-2; Polly Close (B) beat Allan Mosley (V), 6-4, 6-3; Maggie LaMontagne (V) beat Becky Harris (B), 6-2, 6-1.

DOUBLES — Browning-Close (B) beat Shenton-Johnson (V), 6-3, 6-0; Robbie Watson-Marilyn Swain (B) beat Ann Holland-Ann Franklin (V), 6-1, 6-0; Mosley-Dedee Durden (V) beat Donna Rouse-Susan Brogdon (B), 6-3, 6-3.

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Wildcats Sail Past Bulldogs

THOMASVILLE — Valdosta High's baseball Wildcats pounded out 14 hits as they rolled to a 17-1 victory over the Thomasville Bulldogs here Monday.

The win was the fourth in a row for coach Joe Mercer's 'Cats and boosted their overall record to 9-1. The victory made VHS' Region 1-AAA (South) record read, 6-1, keeping them in a tie for first place with the Moultrie Packers in the sub-division race.

Valdosta was to host Bain-

bridge in a game today and then will meet Moultrie in a contest set for 4 p. m. Friday at Pendleton Park, the Wildcats' home field.

Against Thomasville the 'Cats poured across seven runs in the first frame and had clear sailing after that. Among Valdosta's 14 hits were a homer by Darrell Branam and doubles by Gary Rowe, Eddie Roberts and Jim Clarkston. Eddie Rountree came through with three singles.

Rowe went the distance on the hill for 'Dosta, allowing only six scattered hits. The lone run off him was unearned. The sophomore lefty now had a 4-1 pitching record.

Valdosta	ab	r	h	rbi
Lefiles, 2b	2	1	1	2
Rountree, rf	4	1	3	0
Bounds, cf	4	2	1	2
Branam, c	3	3	2	1
Rowe, p	2	3	1	2
Roberts, 3b	4	1	2	3
D. Demersseman, ss	2	1	1	2
Clarkston, lf	3	1	1	0
P. Demersseman, 1b	3	0	0	0
Cufurth	0	1	0	0
Parker, rf	0	1	0	0
Dame, cf	1	1	1	1
Hilton, ss	1	0	0	0
Morgan, c	1	0	0	0
K. Furth, ss	1	1	1	1
Fordham, lf	0	0	0	0
Marshall, 1b	1	0	0	0
Barnes, 2b	0	0	0	0

TOTALS	ab	r	h	rbi
Thomasville	32	17	14	14
Sampson, 3b	4	0	0	0
Folyd, cf	4	0	2	0
Hard, ss	3	0	1	0
Peeples, c	4	0	2	0
Monk, rf-p	1	1	0	0
Willis, p-1b	2	0	0	0
Numally, lf	3	0	0	0
Rice, 2b	3	0	1	0
Fykes, p	0	0	0	0
Kado, 1b	3	0	0	0
Meeks	0	0	0	0
Kirkland, c	0	0	0	0
Jenkins, 2b	2	0	0	0

TOTALS	ip	h	r	bb	so
Valdosta	7.1	203	3	17	14
Thomasville	0.0	100	0	1	6

E — Roberts, P. Demersseman, Willis.
LOB — VHS 3, THS 5.
2B — Rowe, Roberts, Clarkston.
HR — Branam.
SB — K. Furth, Lefiles, Dame, Clarkston, Heard.
SF — Fordham, Rowe.

	ip	h	r	bb	so
Rowe (W)	7	6	1	4	3
Fykes (L)	0	5	6	3	0
Willis	6	8	8	2	2
Monk	1	1	3	2	1

'Cats Blank Pack In Title Playoff

By JULIAN MILLER
Times Sports Writer

THOMASVILLE — What looked like a bad start for the sixth inning turned out to be a blessing in disguise as Valdosta's Wildcats scored all the runs and dumped Moultrie 6-0 to win the Region 1-AAA (South) Baseball championship here Monday.

Wildcat hurler Stanley Bounds kept his record unblemished after six starts, allowing only two hits in his shutout of the Packers, who had been 1-AAA champions the last two years.

Despite a pulled muscle in his right leg, Bounds whiffed six batters, and walked none. Moultrie's Randy Boozer struck out one, walked four and gave up six hits and six runs. The loss dropped his record to 4-3.

Along with the sub-region crown the 'cats, coached by Joe Mercer, earned the right to meet the Tift County (Tifton) Blue Devils, the Northern sub-region winner, in a best-of-three series to decide the overall 1-AAA championship.

Tift survived a three-way playoff at Americus Monday. In the opener Crisp County (Cordele) beat Albany, 11-0, but coach Bobby Simpson's Imps then spanked Crisp, 9-3.

The Blue Devils finished with an 8-3 league record and they own a 17-5 overall mark.

The playoff between Valdosta and Tift is to begin with a game set for 4 p.m. Wednesday at Tifton's Eve Park. The two are to meet again here on Thursday at 1 p.m. at Pendleton Park. If a third game is necessary, it will also be played that afternoon.

The victory over Moultrie on Monday left the 'Cats with a 9-2 sub-region record while the defeat ended the season for coach Ace Little's Pack at 8-3.



—Times Staff Photo

VHS Coach Joe Mercer Had Reason To Smile

Both teams finished the regular season tied at 8-2 after splitting the two times they met. VHS is 12-2 in all games.

Both teams showed a strong defense, but in the top of the sixth frame the 'Cats broke loose.

The action started when Jimmy LeFiles and Eddie Rountree tapped out singles. Then Bounds came up, and what could have been a single caught Rountree in the leg, putting him out.

But things picked up for Valdosta when Moultrie pitcher Randy Boozer elected to intentionally walk Darrell Branam and take his chances with Gary

Rowe with the bases loaded.

On Rowe's second strike the pitch bounced off catcher Jim Delpreto's glove and behind him. Delpreto apparently thought the ball was tipped, and while he was waiting for the umpire to hand him another ball, Rowe signaled LeFiles and Mike Dame, a pinch runner for Bounds, in.

Then Rowe tapped out another single to plate Branam.

But that's not all. After Boozer let Eddie Roberts on base with an overthrow to second, he walked David Demersseman to load the bases again. Then Dick Parker, a former Moultrie player now living in Valdosta, stood out in front of his jeering former classmates and slammed a three-run double to end the scoring.

VHS Links Team In State Duel

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's wildcats will be one of eight teams in the running when the 1971 state Class AAA high school golf tournament is played Wednesday at Palmetto near Atlanta.

Coach Buck Davis 'Cats made the field for the 18-hole state test by winning the Region 1-AAA crown.

Other region winners who will gather at the Cannongate Country Club course tomorrow are Columbus, 2-AAA; Benedictine (Savannah), 3-AAA; Richmond Academy (Augusta), 4-AAA; South Cobb (Austell), 5-AAA; LaGrange, 6-AAA; Avondale, 7-AAA and Athens, 8-AAA.

Representing VHS will be Mike Fambrough, Terry Hiers, Ricky Martin and Pearce Scott. Fambrough shot a 68 to claim individual honors in the 1-AAA tourney. Hiers had a 75, followed by Martin, 76, and Scott, 77.

The Wildcats' winning team total of 295 was called by veteran observers "one of the lowest scores in the history of Region 1-AAA."

This is the second year in a row the 'Cats have made the state tourney field. They finished fourth in 1970 when it was played at Griffin. Fambrough, Martin and Scott are returnees from that team.

Valdosta	ab	r	h	rbi	
LeFiles, 2b	4	1	1	0	
Rountree, rf	4	0	1	0	
Bounds, p	4	0	1	0	
Branam, c	2	1	0	0	
Rowe, cf	3	1	2	1	
Roberts, 3b	4	1	0	0	
D. Demersseman, ss	2	1	1	0	
P. Demersseman, 1b	3	0	0	0	
Parker, lf	3	0	1	3	
Dame	0	1	0	0	
TOTALS	29	6	7	4	
Moultrie	ab	r	h	rbi	
Harvey, rf	3	0	0	0	
Rea, ss	3	0	0	0	
Faircloth, cf	3	0	1	0	
Goff, 3b	3	0	0	0	
Boozer, p	3	0	1	0	
DeMott, lf	3	0	0	0	
Etheridge, 1b	2	0	0	0	
Boring, 2b	2	0	0	0	
Delprete, c	2	0	0	0	
TOTALS	24	0	2	0	
Valdosta	000	006	0-6-7-2		
Moultrie	000	000	0-0-2-1		
E — P. Demersseman, D. Demersseman; Boozer.					
DP — D. Demersseman to P. Demersseman.					
LOB — Valdosta 7, Moultrie 3.					
2B — Parker.					
SB — Rowe, D. Demersseman.					
	ip	h	r	bb	so
Bounds (W)	7	2	0	0	6
Boozer (L)	7	7	6	4	7
PB — Delprete.					

Already Looking To Fall

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Two junior girls have been chosen to head the student publications at Valdosta High School for the 1971-72 academic year.

Nancy Rogers, 17, is to become editor of The 'Dosta Outlook, campus newspaper, this summer.

Melanie Eanes, 16, is to also begin work this summer in her job as editor of The Sandspur, the annual.

The daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Rogers, the new newspaper editor said she wants to improve the quality of the publication.

"We've got a good paper now but we want to try and make it better," she said.

Her staff is to put out an edition this summer which is to be distributed to the students the first day of school this fall.

Miss Rogers is a member of the Beta Club, president of the Tri - Hi - Y and is second vice president for the district Tri-Hi-Y. She is past president of the Latin Club and is to attend the Governor's Honors Program this summer at Wesleyan College in Macon.

She is to study English while at the eight - week session for 400 of the state's brightest students.

Other members of the Outlook staff include Sherrie Tef-teller, editorial editor; Beth Oliver and Margie Dasher, news editors, and Esther Hunt and Cindy Ledbetter, feature editors.

Miss Eanes said she and her yearbook staff will start work immediately on plans for the 1972 annual.

"We want to do something special since this will be the last year the high school will be housed in this building. We want to have a sort of memory book and even look to the future of the new high school," she explained.

A new \$4.5 million plant, now under construction, is to replace the present outdated and inadequate facility. The building is expected to be ready for occupancy September of 1972.

"We hope to have a big yearbook and include all the activities right from the first day of school. That's why we have to begin now working on the book," explained Miss Eanes.

A sales campaign for subscriptions to the annual will be held the last two weeks of August, she said.

"We want to sell a lot of



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Misses Rogers, Eanes: They'll Start Work on Publications This Summer

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annuals and the only way is to start early. We are working up a lot of sales gimmicks," she said.

Miss Eanes and five others of her staff are to attend a

week - long yearbook workshop at Wesleyan College this summer.

"We can see what other schools are doing and get new ideas to implement here.

It's really a great session because you learn the right way of putting together an annual," said the student.

The fourth of nine children, she is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Eanes. Because there are only seven children in the household this year, the others are in college or married, things aren't quite as confusing, she said.

"We have a lot of fun and we are a close family and like doing things together," said Miss Eanes.

Each of the Eanes youths have responsibilities around the house such as helping with kitchen chores and keep-

ing the bedrooms straight.

In a family with eight girls, her brother, Mark, 15, gets lots of feminine advice.

"I'm the tallest so I can wear some of my sisters' clothing but they can't wear mine because most everything is too long," said Miss Eanes.

A member of the Student Council and Beta Club, Miss Eanes has been elected historian of the Future Teachers of America chapter. She was nominated for the Governor's Honors Program in English this year.

Others on her annual staff include Maggie LaMontagne business manager; Annette Norris, club editor; Rober Orr, class editor; Margare Espinosa, senior editor; Jan Miller and Jack Jenkins, junior editors; Gwen Stickley, sophomore editor; Dick Parker and Ken Newlin, sport editors, and Becky McDonald, faculty and curriculum editor.

'Dosta Nips Tift In Series Opener

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
TIFTON — A brilliant pitching performance by Gary Rowe and some timely hitting in the second extra inning gave the Valdosta High Wildcats a dramatic 1-0 baseball victory over the Tift County Blue Devils here Wednesday.

The triumph came as coach Joe Mercer's 'Cats and coach Bobby Simpson's Imps opened their best-of-three playoff series for the Region 1-AAA championship.

VHS, the southern sub-division titleholder, and Tift, the northern loop winner, were to meet again at 1 p.m. here today at Pendleton Park with a third game, if necessary, to follow.

At stake in addition to the region crown is a berth in the state Class AAA tournament. Valdosta now has a 13-2 record and Tift owns a 17-6 chart.

Wednesday's game was supposed to go seven innings, but it took nine frames to settle the issue.

With the threat of rain in the air and a gusty wind blowing from right field toward home plate, the contest featured an exciting hill duel between Valdosta's Rowe, a sophomore, lefthander, and Tift's Joe Burns, who is also a lefty.

Rowe, with the help of stand-out defensive backing, allowed just two hits, both singles, over the long haul as he boosted his hill record to 5-2. Burns was nicked for just four safeties, but three of them came in the top of the ninth when the 'Cats scored their lone run. Burns actually pitched no-hit ball for seven and two-thirds innings, but still suffered his second loss in six decisions.

It was a single by David Demersseman after two outs in the top of the eighth that spoiled Burns' no-hitter.

But it was in the top of the ninth when the Wildcats got their all-important run.

Paul Demersseman opened with a single and Jimmy LeFiles then bounced one off the left field fence for a double which sent Demersseman to third. Jim Clarkston was issued an intentional walk to load the bases.

When Stanley Bounds hit a grounder to third, Demersseman was forced out at home.

Then catcher Darrell Branam stepped in, popped a hump-backed liner to left for a single which brought LeFiles home to score.

Rowe and the VHS defense held firm in the bottom of the ninth and the Wildcats claimed the victory.

Central Victor In 1-AAA Track

THOMASVILLE — Central's Yellow Jackets felt right at home on their own track here Friday afternoon and displayed it by rolling to the Region 1-AAA team track championship.

The Yellow Jackets, who led the Region 1-AAA (South) track meet here last week, racked-up 98 points to take the victory, while Monroe's Tornados from Albany, who dominated the north sub-region meet last week, finished far down the list.

Following the Yellow Jackets were Bainbridge, with 67 points, Albany, 54; Valdosta, 49; Monroe, 48; Crisp County (Cordale), 48; Thomasville, 38; Lowndes, 36; Dougherty, 26; Westover, 17; Tift County (Tifton), 5, and Moultrie, 0.

First and second place finishers in each event are qualified to run in the state Class AAA track meet set May 21-22 at DeKalb County's Memorial Stadium near Atlanta.

Lowndes' Charles Ussery was the only local cinderman to

win an event. He captured the mile run in 4:38.6 for coach Newnan Sanchez's Vikings. He also finished second in the two-mile run, while Rocky Jackson qualified with a second place in the shot.

Stanford Rome and Clifford Bradley were the only qualifiers for coach Charles Greene's Valdosta Wildcats. They finished second in the 140-440 yard dash and the 220-yard dash. Bradley also finished third in the 100-yard dash.

The first six finishers in each event with the winners' times, distances or heights follow:

Shot-Johnson (Ce.), Jackson (L.), Sargent (Cr.), Lot (L.), Barrance (Mon.), Nemmingfield (A), D — 52' 91-2".

Discus — Drake (T.), Sargent (Cr.), Matter (Th.), Thigpen (B), Barrance (Mon.) Oates (A), D — 147' 3".

Long jump — Willis (A), Thigpen (B), Hadley (C.), Whither (Mon.), Chapman (Mon.), Griffith (V), D — 20' 2".

Triple jump — Clark (BA.), Chapman (Mon.), Griffith (Mon.), James (D), Griffith (V), Ivey (Ce.), D — 40' 8".

Pole Vault — Taylor (Ce.), Parrish (Th.), Kirksey (B), Dollar (W), Coxwell (D), H — 13' 6".

High jump — Cutliff (A), Johnson (A), Jones (V), Smith (B), Willis (A), Hadley (Ce.), H — 6' 0".

440 relay — Monroe, Bainbridge, Albany, Central, Valdosta, Dougherty, T — 43.9.

Mile run — Charles Ussery (L), Johnson (Ce.), Corker (B), Hutchinson (W), Thomas (Cr.), Stevens (Mon.), T — 4:38.6.

440 dash — McEachin (Ce.), Rome (V), Skully (T), Clark (T), Sims (A), Lucas (Mon.), T — 51.9.

1/8+1/4 Yard dash — A. Dixon (Cr.), B. Dixon (Cr.), Bradley (V), Green (D), King (V), T — 9.7.

High hurdles — Bannister (Ce.), Sims (B), Daniels (L), Clyde (Mon.), Turnes (W), Haskett (D), T — 15.3.

880-yard run — Hart (Ce.), Narden (A), Jenkins (B), Johnson (Mon.), Fiveash (V), Smith (T), T — 2:02.4.

220-Yard dash — Dixon (Cr.), Bradley (V), Lumpkin (A), Davis (B), B. Dixon (Cr.), Howard (B), T — 22.0.

Low hurdles — Sanders (Ce.), Bannister (Ce.), Rountree (V), Naskett (W), Harden (D), Mosler (W), T — 20.7.

Two-Mile run — Raybon (Th.), Ussery (L), Hutchinson (W), Goodman (D), Corker (B), T — 10:10.9.

Mile relay — Central, Dougherty, Valdosta, Monroe, Crisp, T — 3:29.9.

Valdosta	ab	r	hr	bi
Lefiles, 2b	4	1	1	0
Rountree, rf	2	0	0	0
Clarkston, rf	1	0	0	0
Bounds, cf	4	0	0	0
Branam, c	4	0	1	1
Rowe, p	3	0	0	0
Roberts, 3b	3	0	0	0
P. Demersseman, ss	3	0	1	0
Parker, lf	3	0	0	0
P. Demersseman, lb	3	0	1	0
Dame	0	0	0	0

TOTALS	30	1	4	1
Tift	ab	r	hr	bi
Coleman, 2b	3	0	1	0
Rich Henderson, 3b	3	0	0	0
Burns, p	4	0	0	0
Ray Henderson, ss	4	0	1	0
Keith, cf	2	0	0	0
Peele, lf	3	0	0	0
Salmon, rf	4	0	0	0
Hilton, c	4	0	0	0
Parkman, lb	3	0	0	0

TOTALS	30	0	2	0	
Valdosta	000	000	001	1-4-3	
Tift	000	000	000	0-2-3	
E — Ray Henderson, Coleman, Parkman, P. Demersseman, D. Demersseman, Roberts.					
DP — Keith to Coleman.					
LOB — VHS 5, TCHC 7.					
2B — Lefiles.					
SB — Coleman, Roberts.					
S — Rich, Henderson.					
ip	h	r	er	hb	as
Rowe (W)	9	2	0	0	3 6
Burns (L)	8	4	1	1	2 4
WP — Rowe.					

1-AAA Teams Vie For Track Title

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The two sub-divisions from Region 1-AAA put it all together when the top three finishers in each event of the league meets compete for region track honors in Thomasville, Friday.

First and second place finishers in this meet, at the Central High track will earn berths in the State AAA meet May 21 and 22 in DeKalb County's Memorial Stadium near Atlanta.

Central's Yellow Jackets dominated the action in the Region 1-AAA (South) meet on their home track last weekend. The Golden Tornadoes from Monroe High of Albany led the way in the North sub-region meet in Albany.

Cindermen from Lowndes and Valdosta high schools will be competing in 13 events Friday.

Valdosta's Wildcats earned two first places, five seconds and a third. Lowndes' Vikings had two firsts, two seconds and a third.

Clifford Bradley won both first places for the 'Cats finishing ahead in the 100 and 220 yard dashes. He also joined Stanford Rome, George Roundtree and Tony King to take second place in the 440 and mile relays.

Other second place finishers for Valdosta were Randy Fiveash in the 880, Ricky Griffis in the long jump, and Rusty Jones in the high jump. King was third in the 100.

Charles Ussery took both victories for Lowndes, leading in the mile and two mile runs. Rocky Jackson and Billy Lott were second and third respectively in the shot put, while Elbert Daniels finished third in the high hurdles.

as for \$437. The shop told me the parts had to be ordered from England, so it would take about three months. My insurance company's adjuster looked at the car and approved the estimate. Later I got a check for that amount from the company. Then in March I took my car in to have it repaired. After five more days in the shop, they inform me they can't fix it for their original estimate because the parts alone had come to \$475. Now my insurance company has given me all the money they intend to give me. The repair shop won't abide by their original estimate. And I can't get my car back until something is worked out.—L.C.

Something's been worked out. We contacted the insurance commissioner. He got the body shop and your insurance company together. They've reached an agreement and you've got your car back completely repaired.

I hope you can help my boyfriend and I. We're from Florida and we want to be married. He's 21 and I'm 20. He's still in Florida but I'm working in Atlanta. He can only come up here for one day and we want to get married then. Where in Georgia could we go and get everything done in one day: Blood tests, license and all the rest. Please answer as soon as possible.—F.F.

If you're both still Florida residents you've got it made. Georgians MUST get their license in the county of the girl's residence and for girls under 21 there's supposed to be a three-day waiting period. But for out-of-staters we offer a fine collection of marriage mills in the southern part of the state.

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Try the Charlton County ordinary's office at Folkston or the Seminole County ordinary's office at Donalsonville or maybe the Camden County ordinary's office at Kingsland. Marriage mills don't usually worry much about formalities and hurry-up blood test stations are always conveniently located nearby.

Somebody near us in DeKalb County has built some sort of shack on their property and it violates zoning regulations. There's also raw sewage and trash around the shack and that's a violation of the health laws. DeKalb officials have been giving us the run-around and then...

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hamlet of Truong Khanh 2, about 20 miles south of Quang Ngai in the north.

It agrees in some respects and disagrees in others with the account given by a former U.S. Army sergeant, Danny Spencer Notley. He testified before an informal congressional committee April 28 that men of his unit killed 30 civil-

nooby trap, a lieutenant declared: "there's a village over there, and there's people in it, and they're responsible for it. I want some kills."

Following this, Notley told an unofficial panel headed by Rep. Ronald V. Dellums, D-Calif., that his squad and several volunteers—about 10 men in all—entered the village and systematically killed 30 unresisting women and children.



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Charles Hamilton, a black Afro-coifed senior at Valdosta High School: "I think desegregation is working okay, except for some teachers who are more strict with blacks than they are with whites."

Hamilton, who also wore a "love" medallion and an African shirt, found that "you learn a little more" and homework has increased in formerly white Valdosta High but when it comes to selection of cheerleaders and other school positions, whites vote for whites and blacks vote for blacks.

A complaint among whites is a feeling that the quality of education has declined.

Carol Colson, a white senior who won the title "Miss Valdosta High School," claims desegregation isn't working at all. "It's stupid. It seems like everybody is trying to get along, but they're really not."

She says she used to "put up with" blacks, "but now that

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Schools Look to Positive Side In Working Past Disparities

Howard Davenport, a black student at Clarke Central High School in Athens, readily admits he doesn't have the background for Algebra III.

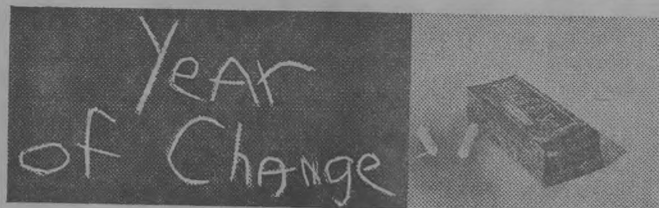
"In some areas," he says, "our education has been limited."

Over in Gainesville, city school superintendent R. O. Blakeney says his method is to "take the children where they are (in learning) and educate them as best they can be educated."

As far as achievement is concerned, Blakeney said tests show no decline in learning among white pupils, "and our testing program seems to indicate that the black children are doing better."

Principal William E. Purcell

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of Bowdon High School in Carroll County: "We haven't watered down our curriculum, but we try to emphasize learning rather than failure."

After the initial shock of

massive desegregation of Georgia schools, many white parents, egged on by segregationist leaders, howled that the "quality of education" would be dragged to murky depths of mediocrity because

of all those "underachieving of blacks."

"Segregation academies" sprang up like dandelions, many in worn-out buildings ripe for razing, many with shabby, second-hand furnishings and equipment, many with less than qualified teachers.

The finished product was christened: "quality education."

But the concern here is public education and what children are getting out of it.

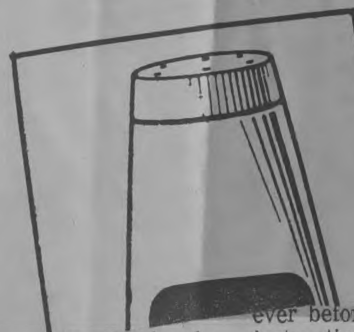
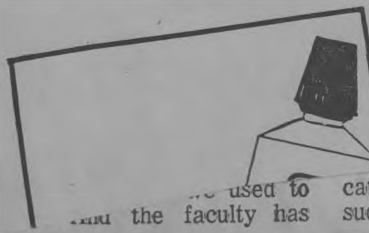
Bill Fordham teaches English at Bowdon High School:

"The black student is at a definite disadvantage — not because of ability but because of background. Integration itself has accomplished a great

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Mrs. Stewart recalls that the teacher had to get out a copy of her roll and place a "B" or "W" beside each name. To the teacher, says Mrs. Stewart, "they were just boys and girls who needed to be taught and she was just teaching."

FRIDAY in The Atlan
Constitution: Silver linings.

PRINCIPAL SAYS

Rumors Hurt School Unity

"At times I feel progress is being made, but then again something happens to set you back."

It has been a rough year for Pat Walls, principal of Ava Street School, the ninth and 10th grade division of Waycross High School.

Negro students, who represent 45 per cent of Ava Street's student body, recently walked out — 150 of them — in protest over what they felt was unfair disciplinary treatment of negroes.

Walls, insisting he strives to mete out discipline on the basis of "how I'd want my child treated," is openly dependent.

The culprit in keeping tensions on edge, he believes, is the rumormonger.

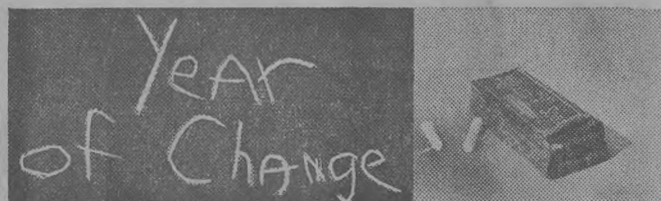
Rumor of Beating Not True

"I had some parents who recently accused me of doing nothing about that teacher who was beaten up last year. I said 'That's right. I didn't do anything about it because it didn't happen.'"

Rumors, according to Walls, "hurt you more than what happened. At this point, I don't know how to combat rumors. They're going to believe what they want to believe."

The harried principal, who let it be known that he

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knows to the day how long he has before retirement, says of the walkout: "At the moment, I think it set us back."

Similar setbacks have occurred on high school campuses dotted across Georgia.

winter of discontent and antagonism has blossomed in the belladonna of fist fights on campuses in Brunswick, Swainsboro, Eastman and elsewhere.



Staff Photo—Chuck Vollertsen

STUDENTS AND TEACHER SHARE TABLE FOR LUNCH BREAK
Scene at Spring Street Elementary School Cafeteria

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type of acceptance, he said, is the black athlete. "His accepted because he's good at sports."

Mike Epps, white president of the Clarke Central Key Club, said all the school's organizations are suffering and his is no exception.

"It seems they can't come together," complained Sylvia Stanton, a Negro student. "You can't get the students together and involved in anything."

Down in Valdosta, black student Jerome Harper offered this insight: "We realize that it's hard for the white students to accept us and get along with us. A lot of them tell us that they've been taught at home to hate the blacks, and that it's hard to change their attitude just because blacks start coming to their school and sitting next to them in class."

Athens Effort Is Unusual

The Athens attempt to salvage some of the spirit from both high schools is in stark contrast with southwest Georgia's Taylor County, where schools are integrated by race but segregated by sex under a court-approved plan.

A Negro student boycott has been in progress because Negro students resent the system under which black bus drivers drive boys to schools and whites drive girls.

Lenwood Ventley, a Negro senior at Taylor County Boys School, contends, "We don't have real desegregation here. At the beginning of the year, they told us they were going to keep the same school colors and mascot because it would cost too much money to change them. Since we feel like it's really a new school, at least they should have gotten new colors and a mascot."

Ventley also complained that segregation by sex has muted the instruments of band members. "Last year we had a real active band which played a lot of concerts out of town, but this year we can't travel out of the county because they say the boys and girls can't ride together on the buses.

"Of course, we know what's behind that."

WEDNESDAY in *The Atlanta Constitution*: For whom the whip cracks.

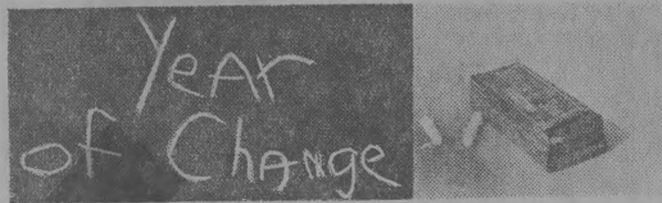
Strong, Effective Discipline Called Major Need in Schools

Terry Lewis, a young, white English-journalism teacher and football coach at Baker High School in Columbus, recently got "fed up" with a Negro student he described as "a chronic troublemaker."

"I told him he was acting like a nigger, which was just like a white student acting like poor white trash," Lewis recalls.

"I told him when he started acting like a black man instead of a nigger, then we would get along a lot better. Since then he has really straightened up, and some of his friends tell me that my talk really reached him."

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Lewis was practicing an unusual approach to discipline, one many educators would refrain from trying in a freshly integrated situation. But discipline is the stuff

that keeps schools from being rent asunder. How it's administered, to whom and for what are questions that has as many answers as Georgia has schools — especially now that desegregation has reached a percentage that exceeds the average in Northern and Western states.

For instance, there's the compassionate style of Guyton Thompson, principal of Houghton Elementary School in Augusta where 225 pupils are white and 250 are black.

Houghton is in a transition neighborhood heavily populated with mill workers. The

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neighborhood is unstable according to Thompson, and many of its children have problems.

Thompson, an Augusta native who grew up in a white middle class society, is sympathetic toward his young charges.

At least one faculty member thinks he might be too sympathetic.

Mrs. Mary Johnson is a Negro teacher of sixth and seventh grade language arts.

"Our main problem is discipline," she says. "I think it is due to home environment and poor academic background before they come to school."

She says most students with disciplinary problems have only one parent at home. Some have none. "They don't have a place to call home, so when they come to school they are looking for attention."

At this point, she says, her principal "falls into a trap" by offering too much love to his students. "They can't accept love. They are just not used to it. They take advantage of your kindness."

So disciplinary problems exist. "We blame our principal, yet we understand what he is trying to do," Mrs. Johnson added.

For Mitchell County High School Principal John S. Yates, April was "our best month of the year."

February wasn't.

It was in February that Negro students, who comprise 70 per cent of the southwest

tem's student body, mounted a boycott. It lasted more than a week, and some 23 black students ended up under suspension for the rest of the year.

The list of grievances included the administration's decision to abolish the traditional junior-senior prom. All social events were canceled before the school year began.

In his striving to be "fair," Yates set up a system — practiced in some other rural Georgia schools — in which there are dual slates of officers for classes and clubs. Indications are that the setup pleases no one.

White parents have charged Yates is too easy on his students. Negroes claim he's too harsh.

When the walkout occurred, Yates tossed the hot potato into the laps of the school board by recommending expulsion for all 250 blacks who participated.

Michael Kegler, a Negro sophomore: "Blacks and whites are not treated equally here. In assembly programs, all the whites sit together. If a white student and a black student cuss in class, the black gets punished and the white doesn't. That's not right."

"My brother was suspended for the rest of the year after the walkout in February because someone reported him suspended anyway."

teacher. He didn't do it, but no one believed him and he got High next year. "I'm planning

Kegler says he doesn't think he'll return to Mitchell County switch to private school next to go to Roosevelt High School in the Bronx, New York, where some relatives I

just can't take this any more."

But his complaints aren't limited to white teachers. "I know a black teacher who beats some of his black students because he thinks he's bigger than us, and he wants to show us how important he is over us. But if a white student says something to him, he won't do anything because he's an Uncle Tom — he's scared of the white man."

How does a white sophomore in black-majority Mitchell County High School feel?

"The blacks are trying to take over," says Parker Raley. "Most of them are pushy, but some of them are real nice. Some of them think they're better than anyone else."

Raley was one of only a handful of students interviewed by an Atlanta Constitution survey team who plans to switch to private school next year. Here's his explanation:

"The blacks have more power than the whites here. Everything the whites try to do the blacks can overrule, and I just don't think that's fair. I don't see where any good comes out of desegregation. It's worse. Blacks and whites aren't treated alike. The teachers let the blacks get away with more things."

Principals throughout the state insist that their policy is to discipline Negro and white students with studied equality.

In some schools, a Negro assistant principal disciplines Negro pupils and the white principal punishes whites.

THURSDAY in The Constitution: Learning to Learn.

SCHOOL PROGRESS SURPRISES

Pupils on Firing Line During Change

They're on the firing line, these kids.

And so are their teachers. It was the responsibility of the two groups to batten the hatches and weather the winds of change.

Desegregation is the law of the land.

"It has made people understand each other a lot more," says Steve Thomas, a white sophomore football player at Americus High School.

"The kids are really a little surprised at how well things have gone. Before integration, there used to be a lot of scare

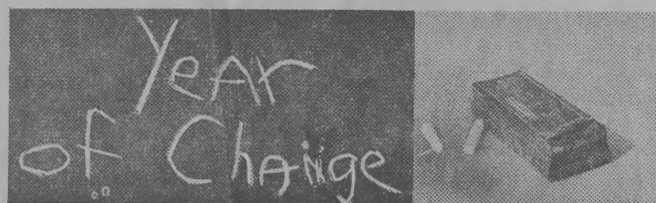
talk from the parents about what was going to happen, but now it has happened and everything is okay."

In nearby Plains, white Assistant Principal Carlton Walton said his school has escaped the turmoil endemic to desegregation in many southwest Georgia systems.

"I think everyone here just decided to work together," he added.

Like many other public school teachers, Walton has had some attractive offers from private schools. "But that's not what I'm in the

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business for. It's not my nature to run away from anything, and I'm not going to do that here."

Melinda West, a white cheerleader at Bowdon High School, has discovered. "If you're friendly to them they will be friendly to you. I've learned more about their feelings. Some of them feel the same way I do."

Tentative beginnings, to be sure.

Throughout Georgia, an Atlanta Constitution survey

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team found that blacks still sit with blacks in school cafeterias and assemblies. Whites still prefer the company of whites at football games and at club meetings.

Caroline Irvin, a Negro senior at Lowndes High School on the outskirts of Valdosta, takes no offense at the social segregation.

"It's not conscious segregation," she says. "You just like your friends because you know them better."

To Mark Pickern, a white junior at Lowndes County High, folks are folks, regardless of color. "If a person is nice to me, I'll be nice to him, and if he snubs me I'll snub him. I don't care if he's black or white, rich or poor."

The premier ice-breaker, of course, has been athletics.

"I'm on the football team, which is about 50 per cent black, and we've had no trouble," says John Raimey, a white sophomore at MacIntyre Park High School in Thomasville.

Just off the track where he was going through paces prescribed to strengthen a knee injured last season, Raimey was perspiring profusely as he described — between gulps of water from a nearby fountain

— the human aspect of football.

"We're all real close. You get down in practice and hit them and they hit you, but you don't think of it that way. You're practicing football."

Fred Waters, principal of East Rome High School in northwest Georgia, says acceptance of Negro students in clubs and athletics has been excellent.

At Waters' school, a black beauty queen was elected last year, two of five senior class officers are black and a senior class has chosen a Negro student as "most intellectual."

"I've had the best school year this year that I've had in the past five years," boasts Waters, whose enrollment is approximately 30 per cent Negro.

Pete McDuffie is an educator-politician, principal of Dodge County Elementary School outside Eastman and a state senator.

He finds athletics "an important factor in getting people in our community to accept it (desegregation) better. You know, everybody likes a winner. And they're seeing these black kids on the teams for one purpose—victory."

A man who knows all about winners and victory is Wright Bazemore, Valdosta High School's legendary head football coach and athletic director.

"Our blacks wanted to be part of our football team, and they jumped at the opportunity to play for us," says Bazemore. "At other schools," he continued, "there was a lot of talk about changing the nickname, colors and the mascot, but these black players were happy to wear the gold and black and be a Valdosta Wildcat."

Bazemore praised his Negro team members as "good athletes and good young men" who "fit in real good here. They knew that if they gave what we demanded and worked hard, they would get to play."

The coach confessed that initially he was "a little worried about their missing practice, because I had heard that they didn't like to come to practice but expected to play in the games.

"Of course, they couldn't have done that here anyway, but I called a meeting with them and they said, 'Coach, don't worry about us. We want to play.' They have worked just as hard as my whites. The only way you can tell them apart on the field is by the color of their skin."

Bazemore says he's convinced that successfully integrated athletics can be a major factor in smoothing the path for the school as a whole.

"Now we go to a football camp for a couple of weeks

before school starts, and they get along just fine together. The blacks and whites tend to segregate themselves, and we have no problems. There are about 15 or 20 cabins out there that sleep about 10 or 12 boys each, and a bunch of blacks will take one cabin and a bunch of whites will take another. There is no segregation by the coaches. The blacks and whites all slept separately, but no one told them to. They were on their own. It's the same thing in the dining hall. They usually sit separately on the buses, too, but some sit together."

While blacks are full participants — and even dominating — football, basketball and baseball in south Georgia schools, a strange contrast can be found in northeast Georgia's Gainesville High School.

Eighty football players wear the Gainesville High colors. Only four are Negro. One wrestler out of 20 is black. The basketball team is as white as the driven snow. There are four Negroes on the track team.

Principal Curtis Seagers lays the absence of blacks to a lack of interest. "We are very strong on participation," says Seagers. "The student must be at school to play. Too many of them just don't want to cut it. They come out one day and don't come back."

Seagers cites a problem

which many principals say only time and a few more graduating classes can cure. Blacks have not identified with the formerly all-white school, he says.

"Any kid here who went to Butler (the now-abandoned Negro high school) — this is never his school. When we get a kid who has never been to Butler, then this is his school."

SATURDAY in The Atlanta Constitution: Impressions.

Wildcats Still Wait For Ruling

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High's baseball Wildcats were still awaiting word this morning on the ruling of a protest concerning the final game of the Region 1-AAA playoff here last Thursday.

Sam Burke, executive secretary of the Georgia High School Association, had promised to make a ruling today on a protest entered by Tift County High coach Bobby Simpson.

Burke's office at Thomaston reported this morning he "was out and wouldn't be back until noon," which apparently means the ruling wouldn't come until this afternoon.

In the opening game of the best-of-three series between coach Joe Mercer's Wildcats and the Blue Devils from Tift, VHS posted a 1-0 victory in nine-inning in a game at Tifton.

On Thursday they played here, with Tift winning 4-0 to square the series. This brought on a third game, which Valdosta won 7-2 to apparently clinch the region crown.

But Simpson protested a ruling by plate umpire Charles King in the second inning. With Tift ahead 1-0 and with one out and men on first and second, when an Imp runner tried to steal third. The Tift batter was charged with interfering with VHS catcher Darrell Branam and the umpire called the runner out. Simpson indicated he was playing the game under protest.

Burke ordered the two coaches and two umpires involved in the game to submit reports on what happened and promised a ruling on the protest by today.

If Tift's protest is disallowed Valdosta's Region 1-AAA victory will stand and the Wildcats will move into the first round of the state Class AAA playoffs, meeting Jordan (Columbus), the 2-AAA victor, in a best-of-three series.

If Burke rules that Tift's protest is valid, then VHS and Tift will have to replay their contest from the point where the protest was made.

"We, of course, don't know how Mr. Burke will rule," Mercer said this morning. "But I've talked to the Jordan coach and should our victory over Tift stand then we will play the first game with Jordan here at Pendleton Park at 3 p.m. Tuesday and then go to Columbus on Thursday for a second and third game if necessary. All of this depends on what Mr. Burke rules."

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'Cats, Jackets Play Wednesday

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High's baseball Wildcats, their Region 1-AAA championship now official, are to open a best-of-three playoff series with the Jordan (Columbus) Red Jackets here Wednesday.

Coach Joe Mercer's 'Cats and coach Jim Motley's Jackets, who are the 2-AAA champs, are to clash at 3 p.m. at Pendleton Park to open a first round series in the state Class AAA playoffs.

The second game in the series is slated for 2:30 p.m. Friday at Columbus with a third game to follow if necessary. The series victor will advance into the state semi-finals.

The Wildcats didn't know for sure until this morning whether their 7-2 victory over the Tift County Blue Devils in the deciding game of the 1-AAA playoffs last Thursday would stand or if the contest would have to be replayed. Tift coach Bobby Simpson had protest a judgment call of interference by plate umpire Charles King in the second inning of that contest.

Mercer was notified shortly after 9 o'clock this morning that Sam Burke, executive secretary of the Georgia High School Association, had "disallowed Tift's protest," making the 'Cats win stand and it's 1-AAA crown official. It's the first region baseball title for VHS since it moved up into Class AAA in 1958.

Valdosta will carry a 14-3 record into its series with Jordan,

and Mercer has nominated junior righthander Stanley Bounds (6-1) to start on the hill tomorrow.

Jordan owns a 20-3 record and will go with either righthander Paul Wright (8-1) or lefthander Anthony Demitri (6-1) on the mound.

The Red Jackets had to get by Southwest of Macon in the playoff for the 2-AAA crown last week. The Maconites won in the opener, but Jordan came back to sweep a twin-bill, 6-2 and 3-0, and nail down the 2-AAA diadem.

Jordan has won three region titles and been runners-up three other times in recent years.

VHS Honors Day

Bazemore Gets Top Honor

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A captain for the 1970 Valdosta High School Wildcat football team has been named the best all round senior at VHS.

Curt Bazemore was named to the top honor a VHS senior can receive during Honors Day this morning at Cleveland Field. He is the son of head football coach Wright Bazemore and Mrs. Bazemore.

A linebacker for the football team, he was named to the All State honorable mention this year and received the Valdosta Touchdown Club best defensive back award.

Bazemore is a member of the biracial committee on campus and is an honor graduate. He has received a football scholarship to Georgia Tech in Atlanta.

The top three honor graduates include Mary Beth Smith, Richard Earl Neese and Martha Alice Giddens.

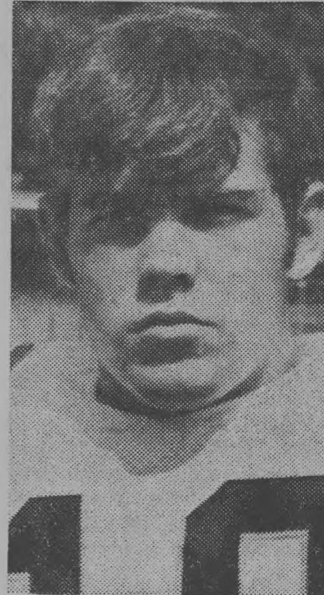
Other honor graduates include Chris Blane Jr., Vallye Jean Blanton, Robert Bowen Christian, Nancy Karen Deming, Howard Michael Fambrough.

Joann Felton, Morgan Taylor Fordham, Steven George Haltiwanger, Janice Marie Hingson, Brenda Joyce Johnson, Johnny Sam Kalil.

Rayann Kelly, Robert David Lasseter, James Holt LeFiles, Carl Jean Meadows, David Jefferson Moore, Lucy Neal, Marsha Ann Noble.

Patti Parrish, Nicholas James Quinif, Janice Rentschler, William Joseph Riggle, Marla Louise Rogers, Rosanne Elizabeth Roskamp.

Jean Elizabeth Sullivan, Gwendolyn Thompson, Phillip Kenneth Webb Jr., Ann Wil-



CURT BAZEMORE
Best All-Round

liams, Bolan Prince Woodward and Barbara Linda Yancey.

Senior superlatives include Bazemore, Nita Brantley, Kay Deming, Mike Everson, John Fisher, Martha Alice Giddens, Joy Johnson.

Jimmy LeFiles, Richard Neese, Patti Parrish, Roger Rome and Beth Sullivan.

Ken Webb received the Exchange Club scholarship.

Other honors not previously announced this academic year include:

American Legion, Boys state — Stan Cunningham.

American Legion Auxiliary, girls state — Debbie Jean Cauthan and Lyn Polonsky.

Betty Crocker Search for the American Homemaker of Tomorrow — Miss Wilby Coleman.

Daughters of the American Revolution Best U.S. History student — Margaret Espinosa.

National Merit candidates for Achievement Scholarship Programs for outstanding Negro students — Delores Gatewood, Reginald Holt and Jack Jenkins.

Oglethorpe University Presidential Mer-

it Scholarship — Janice Rentschler.
Presbyterian College Junior Academic Achievement Award — Margaret Espinosa and James David Slowik.

University of Georgia Certificates of Merit — Mary Jane Beck, Margaret Espinosa, Micki Folsom, JoLynne Johnston, Annette Norris.

Edwanna Overby, Debbie Palmer, Donna Pitts, Lynn Polonsky, Susan Sainz, Cathy Sparkman, Sherri Teffeller, Dorothy Tewell, Lydia Ann Watson.

Stanley Bounds, Bill Cowart, Michael Dixon, Jack Jenkins, Ronald Moore, Ken Newlin, Mark Retterbush, Pearce Scott, David Slowik and Jim Tomlin.

Valdosta State College scholarships anonymous donor — Sue Prysi and Liz Hattaway.

Brick masonry contest — Willie Bacon, second in state.

National Math Test — Billy Riggle.
Beta Club Scholarship — Lucy Neal.

Alice Bingle Essay winners — Nita Brantley, Delores Gatewood, Melanie Eanes, Dee Dee Durden and Mary Beth Smith.

Literary Guild Awards for most improved literary students — Carolyn Shenton and Lucy Neal.

Quill and Scroll honor awards for the yearbook — Curt Bazemore, Kay Deming, David Lasseter, Mariliz Mayo, Joy Paine, Patti Parrish and Mike Welch.

Quill and Scroll certificates for yearbook — Donald Boykin, William Girardin, Joy Johnson and Carolyn Shenton.

Quill and Scroll honor awards for the student newspaper — Martha Alice Giddens, Lucy Neal, Marsha Noble, Richard Neese and Mary Beth Smith.

Senior speech award — Bill Tullis.

Junior speech award — Anita Sloan.

All state band — Pam Stevens, Ann Chitty and Linda Campbell, alternate.

All district band — Sherrie Snider, Meg Griffith, Gwen Stickley, Mary Nell Smart, Ann Chitty, Delores Edwards, Wynne Wyatt.

Patti Steward, Pam Stevens, Linda Campbell, Carol Colson, Lucy Stewart, Mike Thompson, Kent Buescher, Glen Evans, Skip Dumas, Cliff Huxford, Andre Johnson, Woody Leonard, Mark Jeffery.

Harry Fuller, Cliff Baker, Clay Moseley and Al Turner.

Music scholarships — Lucy Stewart, Troy State University; Ronnie Brown, Joe Rivers, Kirk Johnson, John Morris, Jerry Collins, Andre Johnson, John Williams and Don Boykin, all Bethune-Cookman College in Daytona, Fla.

Would Strengthen VHS Club

DE Alumni Group Is Planned Here

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta High School Distributive Education Club is beginning an effort to organize a massive DE Alumni association.

Club coordinator Norman Greene said the club is attempting to contact the approximately 800 former club members to get a complete list of their current address, occupation and other data.

"That's the first step and probably the hardest part," said Greene. "Once we get the listing we can take it from there."

Greene said tentative plans call for dividing the alumni in groups of five year spans beginning in 1948. "Within two years we would have five groups of alumni which would form the organization."

Officers would serve as a board of directors to the high school club. Greene said the group is not designed to replace the advisory board the club now has.

"It would deal primarily with club activities and would take an active rather than advisory part," he said.

Each association is to be assigned a specific area in which to assist.

The club has one alumni organization already in existence, Greene said. It is com-

posed of members who graduated in 1968-1969-1970.

DE alumni organizations are one of four branches DECA, the national organization, said Greene. The others are high school, junior collegiate and collegiate.

The high school subject is a vocational education course which is designed to teach students salesmanship. Participants attend school for half a day and receive scholastic credits for holding down jobs the other half.

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VHS Beta Club Adds 32 To Rolls

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Beta Club at Valdosta High School has added 32 new members to the rolls this spring.

Students named to the national high school honor society at VHS for academic excellence include Pattie Parrish, Jill Babcock and Bill Riggle, seniors.

Jani Miller, Debbie Palm and Dave Dixon, juniors.
Renee Smith, Pam Maturi,

Steve Wilson, Fred Smotherman, Mark Eanes, Barbara Eynon, Cathy Adair, Debbie Phillips, Bonnie Budd.

Ann Strom, Susan Gornto, Eddie Roberts, Dorothy Twell, Erika Alcorn, David Register, Cindy Jackson.

Richard Dasher, Mike Dixon, Betty Riggle, Larry Mobley, Mary Nell Smart, Al Willis, Tom Odom, Claudette Nestler, Gillie Mason and John Stuart.

State AAA Track Meet To Resume

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

ATLANTA — The second day of action is scheduled to get underway here in the State Class AAA high school track meet at DeKalb County's Memorial Stadium.

In Friday's action Lowndes' Charles Ussery failed to place in the two-mile run. He was scheduled to see action again this afternoon in the mile run.

Viking Rocky Jackson placed eighth in the shot put, while Valdosta's Clifford Bradley and Stanford Rome finished fifth in the 220 and fourth in the 440 respectively.

Only first and second place finishers in the qualifying round were eligible for the actual track competition.



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Senior Suds

Valdosta High School principal Charles (Chuck) Green was the recipient of a giant size can of suds Friday morning during Senior Day on campus. The fake beer can was presented to Green during the senior as-

sembly. Senior students were allowed to wear any kind of outfits they wanted for the one day affair. Some early risers started the day off at 5:45 a.m. on campus.

Successful Season

Congratulations are certainly in order for Valdosta High's golf team, which has just completed a very successful season.

Coach Buck Davis' fairway Wildcats had a 6-1-1 record in regular season competition, captured the Region 1-AAA title and finished third, just three strokes off the pace, in the state Class AAA tournament.

Members of the team were Mike Fambrough, Terry Hiers, Ricky Martin, Pearce Scott and David Evans.

Fambrough ruled as the individual champion in 1-AAA and was second on the individual list in the state tourney. He's also accepted the offer of a golf scholarship from the University of Georgia.

Yes indeed, the VHS shotmakers had a very successful season.

College Tradition

Speaking of Valdostans playing golf for Georgia's Bulldogs, there's quite a tradition in that respect.

For instance, John Oliver won the Southeastern Conference title as a Bulldog in 1928, and then his son Jackie Oliver accomplished the same feat in 1963.

Charles (Boog) Layton and Frank Eldridge, two of our city's best amateurs, are just a couple of more who played their collegiate golf at Georgia.

Our city has also had some standout linksmen at Georgia Tech. Dynamite Goodloe was one, as was his nephew Bunky Henry, who is now a pro.

And this spring Valdosta's Terry Stewart is a member of the Austin Peay University links team.

This, of course, isn't a complete list of Valdostans who have made their marks in the college pro ranks.

Rebels And 'Cats Helped The Cause

There was a note of joy and a touch of disappointment concerning some baseball action involving two local teams this past Friday at Columbus.

Playing on opposite sides of town, coach Tommy Thomas' Valdosta State College's Rebels captured the NAIA District 25 championship and coach Joe Mercer's Valdosta High Wildcats went down battling in a playoff series with Jordan's Red Jackets.



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The Rebels needed a pair of wins over Shorter College's Hawks from Rome, Ga., and got them by 10-2 and 2-1 margins.

The 'Cats needed a pair of victories over Jordan. Valdosta won the opener, 6-4, but then fell to the hard-hitting Jackets, 12-2, in the deciding game of their opening round series in the state Class AAA playoffs. That sent VHS to the sidelines.

This is the third season in a row that Thomas' Rebels have ruled as the District 25 champs. They will move on to the Area 5 playoffs, which are slated to open Wednesday at Knoxville, Tenn.

Although the Rebs were defending champs, they were seeded last in the four-team district field behind Columbus, Mercer and Shorter. Seeding was done on the basis of the team's record. VSC's chart wasn't as impressive as the others, but the Rebels had played an extremely tough schedule.

'Team Effort'

When the smoke cleared the Rebels had beaten Columbus twice, licked Shorter two times and in between dropped one decision to the Hawks. VSC came out with a 4-1 record in the district duel and a 24-16 overall mark.

"Our players just reached down for that something extra when they had to," Thomas said. "They gave a fine team effort."

Yes indeed, the Rebs did come through in the clutch against strong opposition. But then that has been a trademark of the four VSC teams Thomas has turned out since he became the Rebs' diamond boss in 1968.

"We know from past experience that all the teams in the Area 5 playoffs will be very strong," Thomas said. "But we'll give it all we've got at Knoxville. We certainly would like to earn a berth in the National NAIA tournament."

Went Down Battling

The fact that coach Jim Motley's Jordan Red Jackets knocked VHS' Wildcats out of the state Class AAA prep playoffs had to be a disappointment.

But Valdosta carried the best-of-three series to the final game and Mercer and his charges certainly have nothing to be ashamed about. They battled right down to the final out.

VHS closed with a fine 15-5 record and won the Region 1-AAA baseball championship for the first time since the Wildcats moved up to Class AAA way back in 1958.

With only two seniors among their regulars, Mercer and the 'Cats can already start looking toward next spring and the start of the 1972 season.

The Rebels are still going and the Wildcats have come to the end of their road, but both are due congratulations. They have made this a very exciting prep and college season for the baseball fans here in many years.

Both teams have done much to advance the cause of baseball here in Valdosta.

Mercer And 'Cats Surpassed Goals

When Joe Mercer became the baseball coach at Valdosta High two years ago the young mentor rather modestly said he hoped to turn out competitive teams and to build interest in the Wildcats' diamond program.

In his first season Mercer led the 'Cats to an 11-3 record, their best record in many, many years, and they just missed in a bid for the Region 1-AAA (South) title.



GLASSMAN

With only three returning regulars from the 1970 team to form a foundation Mercer and the 'Cats started the current campaign with high hopes, but an uncertain outlook.

With Mercer doing an outstanding coaching job and the 'Cats, despite their youth and inexperience, withstanding a lot of pressure, the 1971 baseball Wildcats now have a 14-3 record, they rule as the Region 1-AAA champs and are set to open a best-of-three series with Jordan (Columbus) here today in the round of the state playoffs.

There aren't any full records on such things, but it has been a long, long time since VHS won a region diamond

crown. I know this is the first for the 'Cats since they moved up to Class AAA in 1958.

And you can be sure fan interest in Valdosta's baseball program is at its highest peak in many seasons.

Mercer has used a lot of different players in the 17 games the 'Cats have played so far. We can't list them all, but among those making major contributions have been Stanley Bounds, Darrell Branam, Paul Demersseman, Jimmy LeFiles, David Demersseman, Eddie Roberts, Dick Parker, Gary Rowe, Eddie Rountree and Jim Clarkston. There are just two seniors in this group.

The VHS coach, of course, will tell you quickly that every member of the squad has had to do his part to produce the kind of success the Wildcats have enjoyed.

Lot Of Pressure

We said that the team had to withstand a lot of pressure. That is indeed true.

The 'Cats finished in a tie with the Moultrie Packers in the race for the 1-AAA (South) sub-region crown. Keep in mind that Moultrie had been region champ two years in a row and was rated as the favorite on the pre-season rating chart this spring.

Anyway, VHS spanked the Pack, 6-0, in a playoff for the southern diadem.

Then they had to face coach Bobby Simpson's strong Tift County Blue Devils in a best-of-three series for the overall region championship.

The opener was staged at Tift and it was a super-thriller. VHS won 1-0, but had to go two extra innings to get the

teams came here last Thursday to finish things up. VHS won 4-0 in the first game that day to square the series and VHS triumphed 7-2 in the deciding contest and had the 1-AAA title wrapped up.

Five-Day Wait

protested an umpire's judgment call on an out in the second game and that meant Sam Glassman, secretary of the Georgia High School Association, had to be on the matter.

Five days after the game, VHS got the title and had been disallowed. That made it a 1-AAA diamond championship. What with the play-

Wildcats Beaten In Series Finale

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

COLUMBUS — The series went the limit, but Jordan's Red Jackets emerged as the victors and Valdosta's Wildcats went to the sideline in the state Class-AAA high school baseball playoffs.

After dropping a 4-3 decision in the series opener here Wednesday coach Joe Mercer's Cats went to Columbus yesterday needing a pair of wins to stay in the running.

Valdosta won in the opener, 6-4, but coach Jim Motley's Red Jackets triumphed, 12-2, in the second game.

That gave Jordan a victory in the series and sent it into the

semi-finals of the state playoffs. The Red Jackets have a 22-4 record. VHS' campaign has now come to a close and the 'Cats finished 15-5.

Jordan got into the state playoffs by claiming the Region 2-AAA crown. Valdosta made it by winning its first 1-AAA diamond title since the Wildcats moved into Class AAA in 1958.

"We did a good job, won the first one and had the momentum going our way," Mercer said. "But their entire lineup could hit the ball and you can't take anything away from them. Don't take anything away from our boys either. They never quit—they always worked hard." Pitcher Gary Rowe, who went

the distance on the hill in the first game for the 'Cats finally put Valdosta ahead for good with a three-run triple in the top of the fifth.

The sophomore southpaw was left with a 6-2 record after the victory.

Dick Parker drove in two runs with a single in the fourth, after Jimmy LeFiles' singled in run the first frame to start the Valdosta attack going.

In the second game the 'Cats came face-to-face with Paul Wright, the curve ball artist who defeated them in the first game of the series, and a fired-up Jordan hitting attack.

Jordan jumped off to a six-run lead in the first two innings and Valdosta was unable to catch up after that.

Hill starter Stanley Bounds took the loss and now has a 6-3 record. Wright went the distance for the Red Jackets and boosted his record to 10-1. Anthony Demetri took the loss in the first game and was left with a 6-2 chart.

The Red Jackets showed a remarkable ability to make their hits count, after banging out 11 safeties and scoring 11 of their runs on them.

Jordan got runs in every inning but the fourth, with Mike Bruce leading the way with three hits, including one double.

Freshman shortstop David Demersseman was one of Valdosta's attack leaders, going two-for-three for the day.

Score by innings follow:

First Game

Valdosta 100 230 0—6-6-1

Jordan 021 100 0—4-7-2

Rowe and Branam; Dimitri,

Wright (5) and Davis.

Second Game

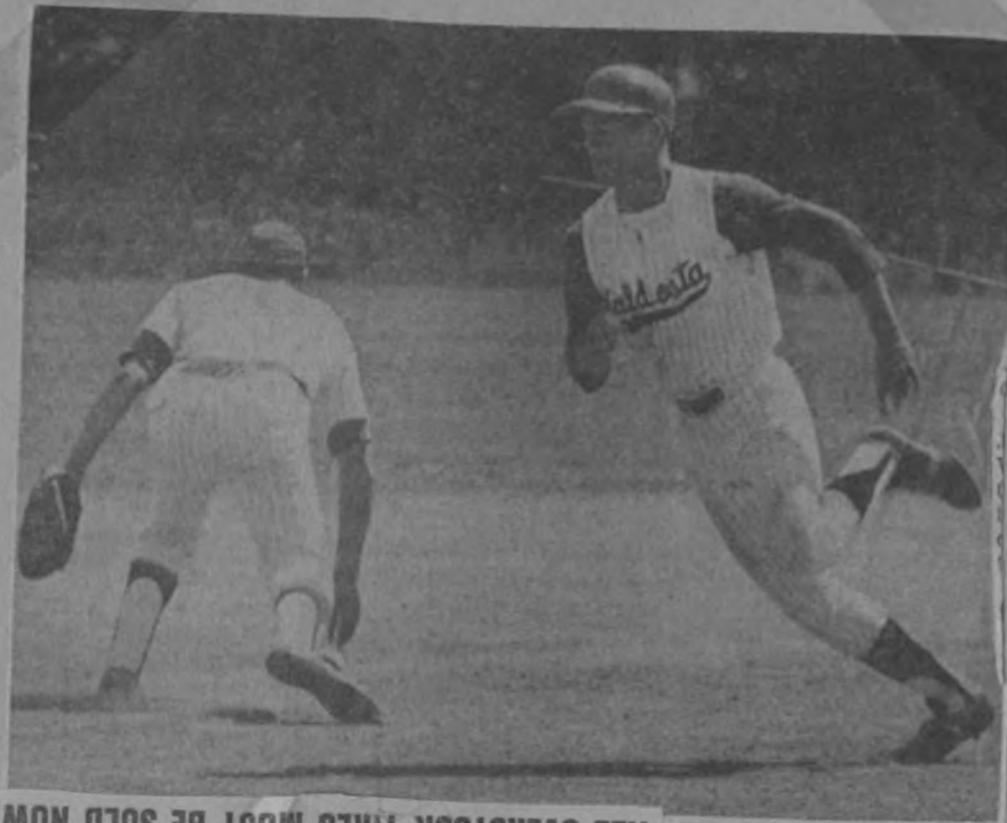
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Jordan 243 102 x—12-11-0

Bounds, Rowe (2), Branam

(2) and Branam, Roberts (2);

Wright and Davis.



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Game Is Protested

'Cats Win Diamond Title

By JULIAN MILLER
Times Sports Writer

Stanley Bounds came out of his slump for one short outburst here Thursday — but it was long enough to finally set Valdosta's Wildcats on their way to winning the Region 1-AAA baseball crown after splitting a twin-bill with Tift County, they hope.

The junior righthander started the first game of the twin-bill and suffered his first loss of the season when the Imps from Tifton took a 4-0 victory to tie the best of three series.

But in the second game, Bounds delivered the tie-breaking run in the bottom of the fifth frame with a solo home run over the right-field fence that inspired a six-run outburst, eventually leading to the 'Cats' 7-2 victory and the league championship.

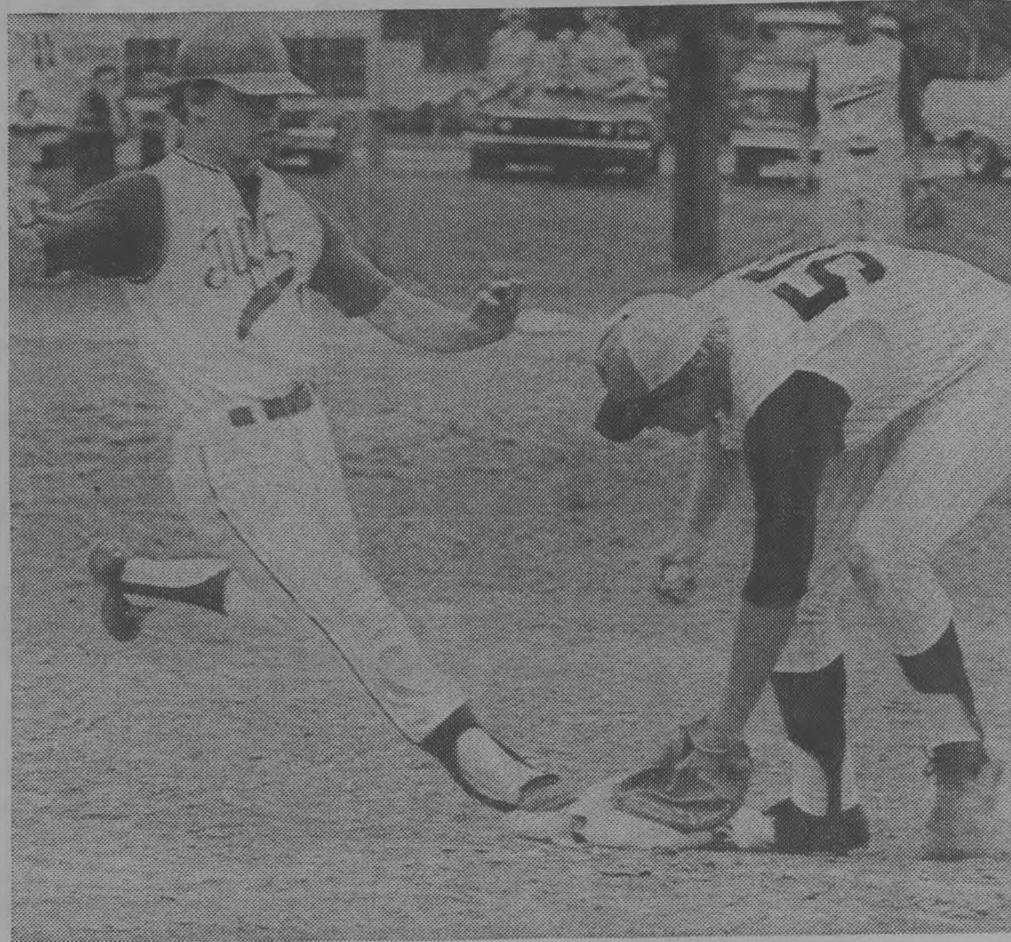
However, in the second frame of the tie-breaking game, plate umpire Charles King called Imps' Dicky Hilton for interference with the catcher as Jerry Peele stole third and called Peele out.

Tift County Coach Bobby Simpson announced the rest of the game, from that point on, was being played under protest. Thursday night he placed a call to Sam Burke of Thomas-ton, executive secretary of the Georgia High School Association.

Both coaches and umpires, King and Carroll Joiner must now send in separate letters explaining the play and Burke will act on the protest call Monday.

If the protest is deemed valid, the game is to be replayed starting from the protest call with Peele on third. If not, the victory stands and Valdosta remains the Region 1-AAA champs.

As region champs, Valdosta,



—Times Staff Photo

'Cats' Paul DeMersseman (50) Tags Imps' Joe Burns Out At First

would meet Jordan, the Region 2-AAA winners, in the first round of the state Class AAA playoffs in a best of three series next week.

If things stand as they are now, the 'Cats will boast a 14-3 overall record while the Blue Devils will be on the sidelines with an 18-7 record.

Bounds met his first defeat of the season in the first game after going four and two-thirds innings, giving up five

hits and four runs. Morgan Fordham, who was scheduled to pitch the second game if necessary, was called on to finish the job and Bounds was left with a 6-1 mark.

Ricky Winkler, a senior southpaw ace, chalked up the victory to boost his mark to 6-1.

And it was Winkler who sent the Imps on their way to victory when he singled in the second frame to clear the path for Daniel Salmon's run. In the following frame Joe Burns

belted a two-run single and Ray Henderson singled in the fifth to plate Burns and end the scoring in that game.

With Bounds and Fordham seeing action in the first game, and Gary Rowe still resting from the day before when he shut out the Imps 1-0 in the series opener, catcher Daryl Branam was called upon to start the second game of his career on the mound.

The Imps jumped off to an early lead in the second frame when Ray Henderson came

home on a fielder's choice. But then Hilton was called for interference and Simpson announced the protest.

That didn't stop the 'Cats attack, however, because in the bottom of the next frame Eddie Roberts reached first on an error and Morgan Fordham, running for Branam, scored to tie it all, 1-1.

Bounds broke the tie with his slam over the right field fence later, and as if a signal had been given the 'Cats attack went into high gear. Ken Furth singled in Fordham; Paul Demersseman's double plated Rowe and Roberts; Jimmy LeFiles sacrificed Furth in, and Eddie Roundtree doubled to bring in DeMersseman — and VHS had a 7-1 lead.

Winkler was called upon again to replace Ricky Carr on the mound, but although the 'Cats didn't score again, the damage was done.

Tift could only add one more run to the cause. That came in the final frame when Winkler walked, moved to second on an error, third on a fielder's choice and home on a single by Ray Henderson to end the scoring at 7-2.

For his efforts, Branam chalked-up another victory to boost his record to 2-0 and is now the only undefeated Valdosta pitcher.

First Game	
Coleman, 2b	2 1 0 0
Rich. Henderson, 3b	4 1 2 0
Burns, 1b	4 1 1 2
Ray Henderson, ss	3 0 1 0
Keith, cf	2 0 0 0
Peele, lf	3 0 0 0
Salmon, rf	3 1 1 0
Hilton, c	3 0 0 0
Winkler, p	3 0 1 0
Parkman, 1b	0 0 0 0
TOTALS	27 4 6 2
Valdosta	ab r h rbi
LeFiles, 2b	3 0 0 0
Roundtree, rf	2 0 0 0
Bounds, p-cf	3 0 0 0
Branam, c-rf	2 0 1 0
Rowe, cf-lf	3 0 0 0
Roberts, 3b-c	3 0 0 0
D. Demersseman, ss	1 0 0 0
Parker, lf	2 0 0 0
P. Demersseman, 1b	2 0 0 0
Fordham, p	0 0 0 0
Clarkston, 3b	0 0 0 0
TOTALS	21 0 1 0
Tift	012 010 0-4-6-0
Valdosta	000 000 0-0-1-3
E — D. Demersseman, Parker, Roberts.	
DP — Richard Henderson to Coleman to Burns.	
LOB — Valdosta 4, Tift 2.	
SB — Salmon.	
S — Ray Henderson.	

Second Game	
Bounds (L)	tp h r b b so
Fordham	4-2-3-5 4 3 2
Winkler	2-1-3-1 0 1 1
WP — Bounds.	7 1 0 3 0



MARY BETH SMITH
Top Graduate



RICHARD NEESE
Second Highest



MARTHA GIDDENS
Third Highest

VHS Ceremonies

347 To Graduate

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

There are 347 students at Valdosta High School who expect to graduate in June.

Commencement exercises are at 8 p. m. June 7 at Cleveland Field on the VHS campus. Baccalaureate services are at 8 p. m. June 6 at the First United Methodist Church.

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Changes Are Planned At VHS

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The school day at Valdosta High School is to begin at 8:30 a.m. this fall and juniors and seniors are to be excused from physical education if the State Department of Education okays the proposal.

Supt. Foster Goolsby told the board that Lloyd Mims, who has been named to replace VHS principal Charles (Chuck) Green, feels the 8:30 starting hour and elimination of upper classmen from PE classes will help the crowded situation on campus.

It has also been proposed

that juniors and seniors, who work, leave campus after the fourth or fifth class period and that the remaining upperclassmen be dismissed at the end of the fifth class.

The sophomores would remain on campus until about 3:30 p.m.

This year VHS operated on an extended day basis that involved students coming and going all during the school day. There were reports of high absenteeism and tardies during the year.

The board got permission from state officials to have the

extended day this past year because of the crowded conditions. A new VHS is under construction but the \$4.5 million comprehensive facility won't be ready for occupancy until September of 1972.

"There are indications that the state would be more willing to do what we have in mind for this year than what we had this past year," said the superintendent.

He said the early admissions

program at Valdosta State College, which allows upperclassmen who can qualify for entry to take courses for credit while still enrolled in a high school, and early graduations at VHS are expected to help ease the crowded conditions this fall.

Students will have a home-room this fall that they must report to at the beginning of the school day, said Goolsby.

"I've been so concerned about

the attendance. The students need to be somewhere where a designated person will know where they are supposed to be when," said board member Joella Blackburn.

Goolsby said that if PE is not limited to the sophomores additional personnel will have to be employed.

"When you have 60 to 70 to 80 kids at one time in a PE class, it can be a seed bed for problems," he said.

Green To Stay Through Summer

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The principal of Valdosta High School, Charles (Chuck) Green, said he will be here during the summer session on campus.

Green, who has resigned to enter graduate school at the University of Georgia in Athens, said he will be leaving the school system before Sept. 1.

The principal said that when he was approached about coming to Valdosta High from Thomasville High School he told Supt. Foster Goolsby that he would come for three years. He has been principal at VHS three years.

"I knew I wanted to go back to school and work on my Ph.D. but I did say I would stay here three years," said Green.

Lloyd Mims, principal at Valdosta Junior High School, has been named as Green's replacement. Mims has been at VJHS two years. Jim Hunt, assistant principal at VJHS, has been selected principal on that campus.

"It is with a great deal of reluctance that I leave the Valdosta city school system. We have made vast strides towards improving the educational opportunities for the secondary students and the backing that this school has received from

the superintendent and the board has been a real inspiration. During times of stress and uncertainty, as principal, have always seen visible evidence of strong support for what is best for all our children," said Green.

The principal said Valdosta has been a fine city for he and his wife to raise their three children. "There is a true community spirit here that is wholesome for our young people and we have certainly enjoyed this," he said.

Green said he is leaving one of the finest faculty groups that any principal could ever hope to have.

"Our students, coaching staff, band directors, secretarial staff and lunchroom staff have added considerable pleasure to my tenure as principal.

"I have looked forward to being principal of the new Valdosta High School and I reluctantly give up this opportunity; however, I look forward to my future plans with a great deal of enthusiasm. I hope that with a few years I will have earned a doctorate in educational administration," he said.

Green said he has been offered an assistantship at the university but hasn't decided whether he will accept it.

High Cost Of Schools

Public school education is one of the biggest businesses going in this community. The schools will spend close to \$10 million for their operations next year.

When the cost of the new Valdosta High School (now under construction) is added in, the total for the public schools here approaches \$15 million. Supporting that kind of expenditure is no easy task, most local taxpayers will admit.

The Lowndes County Board of Education has approved its budget for the 1971-72 school year and it expects to spend \$4.9 million. Cost of running the city schools will be an estimated \$8.9 million, including the high school construction costs which are being financed with bond funds and state and federal grants.

In adopting their budgets, the two school boards are asking relatively small incomes in local operating funds. The county is asking \$84,100 more, while the city expects to get an additional \$40,000 from local sources.

This is somewhat of an achievement in the light of the greatly accelerating costs that most school systems are experiencing. Still, though, local taxpayers will have to pay more, even though it is a relatively minor increase, and they won't be too pleased about it.

Educators must face this problem. While they have the responsibility of educating the children in their communities, they must, too, face the music from taxpayers who see nothing down the road but more and more.

People in public education can ease

their burden somewhat by doing a lot of explaining and doing it with straight answers. The general public no longer agrees that anything the schools want, they can get.

Education is coming more and more under the scrutiny of the public, as it should. The public is paying the costs and it has the right to answers for the questions it asks.

Answering questions is only half of the problem. Educators must demand the utmost of their systems in efficiency and economy. For too long educators have equated progress with more money. There are too many comparisons as to who spends the most per pupil on education.

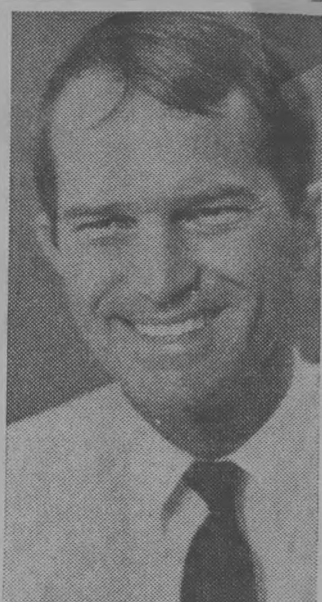
It takes money to run the schools, sure, but it should also take a dedication to the task of doing it better and more efficiently next year than last.



CHARLES GREEN
Graduate Work



LLOYD MIMS
Going To VHS



JIM HUNT
Heads Junior High

Mims Principal Of High School

By MARY CROUSE

Lloyd Mims has been named principal of Valdosta High School to replace Charles (Chuck) Green who has resigned, according to city school superintendent Foster Goolsby.

Mims, 39-year-old principal at Valdosta Junior High School for

two years, is to begin his new duties at VHS July 1.

Green has resigned to enter graduate school at the University of Georgia in Athens.

"He wants to get his Ph.D. He has been thinking about this for several months and the opportunity to enter the doctoral program at the university has

presented itself. We have talked about this at length and he goes with my blessing. We are fortunate we have such excellent men to move up, however," said the superintendent.

Jim Hunt, assistant principal at VJHS for two years, is the new principal at that campus. Earlier this spring the board agreed to move him to Sallas-Mahone Elementary School to replace Mrs. Norman Allan, retiring as principal this month.

The vacancy at Sallas - Mahone will probably be filled in the next week or two, said Goolsby.

The administrative moves were made during a special meeting of the Valdosta Board of Education Tuesday night, said board chairman Reuben Yancey.

"I think the moves are excellent and it is a good chance for Mr. Green to get his Ph.D.," said Yancey.

Goolsby said this morning that Jack Coffey is to be an assistant principal at VHS. Coffey, former assistant principal at VJHS, has been at the VHS-Pinevale Campus for two years.

He succeeds Walter Altman, who has resigned to go back

-Mims

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to the Lowndes County school system as a visiting teacher. Frank Wilson is the other assistant principal at VHS.

Mims, who served as principal of the junior high in Homerville and principal of Clinch County High School before joining the Valdosta school system, was given the task of his life at VJHS.

He was told by the city school to give the VJHS campus a new image. He has succeeded in not only changing the image of the school but has altered the attitudes of his faculty and students. The once tough school of the system is now concerned with beautification, academics and community service.

Mims, who worked his way through Jacksonville University in Alabama by sweeping floors and working the campus cafeteria, also believes in clean academic facilities.

His consistency on everything from school cleanup to discipline is one of the things which has made him one of the top administrators in this area, according to school officials.

He received his masters degree at Auburn University in Alabama and he and his wife have two sons.

Mims said he took the new job at VHS after a lot of thought and consideration. "I have a wonderful program, faculty and students at junior high. I'm grateful to this school. I'll have a hard time following Mr. Green because he's done a good job, but I'll run my own school," he said.

Mims said he is going to lay down rules for the students which will be fair.

"I don't anticipate having to take any drastic action, but my rules will be enforced. They'll be fair and we will be consistent in the enforcement. Every parent and student will know these rules and punishment for breaking them ahead of time," he continued.

"My faculty will be backed 100 per cent with any discipline problem. They won't have to tolerate anyone in their classroom who interrupts the school program. Those who don't want to learn can find something else to do," said Mims.

The principal said his top priority this fall is to instill school

pride and spirit on campus. "They've got it but I want to make sure the students continue having it. I'll listen to the students anytime and will be fair in my actions. It won't be all taking. There will be giving.

"Sharing is what this whole thing is all about. I know the 10th grade class that's coming up, they were at junior high when I first started. The juniors won't be forgotten and the seniors will have their identity and their privileges without upsetting the school program," he said.

Green, who was unavailable for comment this morning, is a native of Scranton, Pa. The 37-year-old administrator did his undergraduate work at Piedmont College in Dermorest and received his Master's from the University of Georgia.

He has been a principal since he was 26 years old. He was with the Thomasville school system where he was an elementary and high school principal before accepting the job at VHS.

Education Must Inspire Students

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

"Education must teach people how to determine the difference between what they know and what they don't know and where to go to find out what they need to know," said State School Supt. Jack P. Nix here Monday night.

Dr. Nix, speaker at the Valdosta High School commencement exercises at Cleveland Field, said education must also teach people how to use information once they have found it.

"Schools must provide the kind of atmosphere that encourages a free exchange of ideas, where students can explore each other's minds and the minds of their teachers and then weave the thoughts into coherent philosophy for themselves.

"We must have teachers who are interesting people, really excited about teaching," he said.

The educational system must inspire students to want to learn, to gain an appreciation for the classics as well as for the more practical world of work, said Nix.

The public school system must turn out graduates who feel pride in their work, a loyalty to their employers and a desire to be successful in life, said the speaker.

"We must provide for people not a list of facts, but the reasons why," said Nix.

Education like virtue is its own reward, he said.

It is in the best interest of this country and this state that every generation of young people be guaranteed full educational opportunities, said Nix.

"The maximum development of the potential brainpower and skills of each generation of students will replay the costs of their education many times over in local, state and federal taxes during their increased lifetime earnings," said the superintendent.

The superintendent said there are critics of public education



DR. JACK NIX

Know The Difference

who feel there is a need to completely restructure everything that is being done and in effect to start over.

"I do not argue that American public education today is perfect, that the system cannot bear improvement. But I do ask them (critics) to consider for a moment that they are tearing down one of the unique ideas and practices that the American system has contributed to the world — the concept of free public education for every person, no matter who he is or where he lives or what his station in life," said Nix.

Nix was introduced by class president David Bentley.

Honor graduates David Lasseter and Mary Beth Smith also spoke during the graduation exercises.

What youth is demanding is that they be more than social security numbers, printed forms, faces in family portraits or monthly bills from the gas stations, said top honor graduate Miss Smith.

Strength, faith and imagination of youth are the treasures that society needs, she said.

"But the question is how can the variant points of view between young people and the establishment be reconciled so that youth will be accountable both to themselves and to society.

"Today's youth has the power to bring about this reconciliation and to make their resources of energy, strength and intellect accountable," said Miss Smith.

Young people have the moral strength to stand up for what they believe and the physical strength to remain standing and to keep supporting these beliefs until success is achieved, said the student speaker.

"Perhaps youth's most important quality is its intellect. Along with its energy and strength youth radiates a constant thirst for knowledge," said Miss Smith.

Only when one is true to his own goals and conscience can he expect to be true in his relationships with his fellow men, said Lasseter.

"The most difficult decision anyone will ever face is answering the call of his conscience when it tells him to go against the will of society. But if he is to be responsible to himself, honest with himself he must heed the call and not waver. Life does not have the time to waste on an individual who cannot account to the principles of his own soul.

"Though the world more easily accepts the man who conforms to the will of the majority, it will not give him respect. That is reserved for the person who turns the other cheek from attacks of his enemies but does not turn from the path of what he knows to be right," said Lasseter.

VHS principal Charles (Chuck) Green presented the 1971 class which included 34 honor graduates.

The diplomas were presented by Valdosta Board of Education chairman Reuben Yancey and board member John Howell.

Graduate Lucy Stewart sang "We've Only Just Begun" and the Valdosta High School band under the direction of Frank Butenschon provided the music.

Others on the program were Lucy Neal and Jimmy LeFiles.

David Jefferson Moore was among the honor graduates. Moore's name was accidentally left off the list in a previous article announcing the honor graduates.

City Board Okays Largest Budget

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta Board of Education has officially adopted the largest budget in its history, \$8,898,513, for the 1971-72 academic year.

The board plans to meet with Mayor-Council this afternoon at the regular council meeting to ask that the millage be set based on the budget's figures.

About a \$40,000 increase in local support is included in the board's budget to take care of built in additional expenses such as the \$9,000 teacher retirement hike and \$31,000 social security raise.

The board asked for \$1,118,942 in local tax revenue for operation and maintenance for the 1970-71 fiscal year which ends June 30. This was about 13.1 mills, said board finance director Jack Kent.

The board's legal limit is 14 mills for maintenance and operation.

The \$5 million increase over last year's \$3,886,700 budget is because of the building funds on hand for the new \$4.5 million Valdosta High School scheduled to open September of 1972, anticipated loans and federal funds.

The board officially adopted the budget at its regular meeting Tuesday night at the Valdosta High library.

Board chairman Reuben Yancey said that every year the State Department of Education allots the local system a certain amount of money but that the full amount never gets here.

The board is short about \$50,000 from the state this fiscal year.

"Why? All I want is an answer. We don't get what we are promised. We have actually been charged as much as 50 cents and \$1 per child for transportation and we don't have transportation. Yet this is what is presented to the legislature," said Yancey.

In other matters:

—The board approved plans submitted this spring by the Touchdown Club for seating and traffic arrangements at Cleveland Field on the VHS campus.

The estimated \$2,225 for the addition of fencing and two more ticket gates is to come from Athletic Association funds.

Most of the work on the plan is to be completed by this fall in time for football season.

Seat and section information is to be printed on all tickets for the coming grid season. Spectators are to seat in the sections designated on their tickets and none is to be allowed back in the stadium during the game without his ticket stubs.

—The board authorized the superintendent's staff to apply for a federal grant for a migrant program in the schools this fall.

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City Board Joins Chargeback Suit

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta Board of Education has joined in the independent school system effort to get the 33 1-3 per cent penalty charged to independent school districts revoked.

The city board has authorized up to \$1,500 to be spent as its share of the cost of the proposed court suit.

The penalty chargeback costs the city system about \$48,000 annually.

The penalty charge has been in effect since about 1964. It was passed by the Legislature at that time because the concentration of property on the tax digest was said to be with-

in the bounds of the city limits, said Valdosta school superintendent Foster Goolsby.

The thought was the city exists not within itself but exists for and as a result of the surrounding support that it gets from residents outside the city limits, he said.

"There was a measure of justification in that. But now it is contended that since the early 1960's, industries have expanded outside the city limits and the nicer homes within the county are no longer necessarily within city limits as was true a decade ago."

The suit is to be filed in federal court because a similar suit was thrown out of state courts several years ago on a legal technicality.

Goolsby said he has had no information as to which governing body or bodies the suit is to be directed to.

Some school officials here believe the penalty chargeback has been kept in effect in an attempt to force city school systems to consolidate with county districts.

Goolsby said school officials from LaGrange, Carrollton, Decatur, Waycross and Atlanta are pushing the suit.

"As far as I know, most of the independent school systems have joined in the suit. There might be one or two who haven't so far," said Goolsby.

There are about 31 independent school systems in the state.

30 On Two-Month Visit

Teachers Are In For Cultural Shock In India

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The 30 South Georgia social studies teachers who leave Sunday for the two-month Multi-Cultural Understanding Program in India are in for a cultural shock, said coordinator Dr. William M. Gabard.

Gabard, chairman of the history and political science department at Valdosta State College, said India is not like any other part of the world.

The teachers were given a background of the cultures, history, contemporary problems and art in a course taught by Gabard spring quarter at VSC.

"But even that hasn't fully prepared them for what they'll see in India. Some of the places are as they were 5,000 years ago while others are modern by our standards.

"India is quite an exotic country. The continuity of the cultures is such that you don't get to see it to the same degree anywhere else in the world," said the history professor.

The study abroad program, funded with a \$65,000 grant from the U. S. Office of Education, is aimed at promoting a better understanding of American cultures through the study of another culture.

The program is the first of its kind in the U. S. A pilot project, it is designed for the grass roots level and is to be followed by State Department officials, said Gabard.

The 30 participants selected for the trip received five hours of graduate credit for the spring quarter course. The eight-week period from Tuesday through Aug. 15 counts 10 hours of graduate credit.

Gabard and his wife are making the trip with the teachers and Dr. Robert Holmes, director of the Fulbright Foundation in India, is to coordinate the eight weeks study.

The final phase of the program is to take place during

the 1971-72 academic year. Gabard is to visit the participants at their respective schools and the instructors are to also return to VSC for evaluation sessions.

As a result of the study in India this summer, Valdosta High School has opened a new course in Modern Asia for this fall. Jack Crouse, social studies teacher at VHS, is to teach the new offering. He is among the 30 teachers in the federal program.

Gabard said the other teachers involved in the study are also planning to incorporate their experiences in courses this year.

"That's the whole idea. We want to expose these teachers to Indian culture and let them come back and teach related courses. Asia is so important and Americans need to understand the culture and history of that part of the world in order to comprehend what is taking place today," explained the professor.

Another object of the study is to give the Indians a look at Americans. Each of the participants is to be a houseguest of a family in India for about a week. The experiment in international living is expected to add much to the study, said Gabard.

An official from the U. S. Education Foundation in India is to act as a guide during the trip.

Others making the trip are: Regina Sharp, Wilbon E. Prophet, Caesar A. Smith and Betty Carlisle, all of Valdosta.

Florence Butts of Quitman, Jerry Dickson of Adel, Edwin A. Griffis of Fargo, Charles W. Smith of Fitzgerald, Dorothy McCollum Ferguson of Hoboken, James Hill and N. D. Essic, both of Albany.

Betty Deadwylee of Dawson, Jack C. Kendrick and Luther H. Conyers, both of Bainbridge, Mable B. Goseer of Fitzgerald.

Elmorris P. George of Whigham, Trudie Holliday James and Larry L. Rawlins, both of Cairo, and Demetrius Hawthorne of Whigham.

Elise W. Gibson, Rosemary Henderson and Helen Fortney, all of Thomasville, Richard Petrilla, Carol Elizabeth Thompson and Dannie Sparks, all of Tifton.

Mrs. Jule Karby of Waycross and Henry Slaughter of Doerun.

The sex ratio of the group is 50-50 while there are 13 Negroes and 17 whites in the program.

The group leaves from Atlanta Sunday afternoon and stops briefly in London. An overnight stay is scheduled for Istanbul, Turkey. A day in Istanbul is to be devoted to tours including the Blue Mosque, Santa Sofia, museums and bazaars.

The participants are scheduled to arrive in New Delhi, India Wednesday. Lectures, seminars and insight into family life are planned.

The group is to leave June 25 for Agra, the home of the Taj Mahal and Fatehpur Sikri. Jaipur, the Pink City, is on tap for the next day with elephant rides to the Amber Palace, the

City Museum, Palace of the Winds, tie-dye and stone cutting industries.

Bombay is the next stop June 29 and the group is to be there until July 6 when they leave for Cochin. Fort Cochin is believed to be the oldest European settlement in India.

Trivandrum and Kovalam are on the agenda July 8 and from July 9-14 the party is to be in Madras, the fourth largest city in India.

The 11th to 14th century Hoysala temples are to be studied in Bangalore when the group arrives July 14 for a five day stay.

A visit to Hyderabad is set for July 19-21. Once the largest and most important of India's princely states until independence, Hyderabad has some of the most traditional arts and festivals in the country's rich past.

The commercial city of Calcutta is to be visited from July 21-25 unless the cholera epidemic becomes more critical.

Gabard said he hopes Calcutta won't be eliminated from the itinerary. The capital of India until 1911, the oldest archeological collection in the country is in

the Indian Museum there. Victorian in appearance, it is a center for creative artists, he said.

Benares, the holy city, is an over night stop. The group is to view the Valuable Vedic books preserved in the Hindu University library.

Srinager, the Vale of Kashmir, is a four day stop and the group returns to New Delhi July 31 for seminars and evaluations.

"This is not just a sight-seeing venture. We'll be in conference and seminars all the way with government officials in all areas. Very knowledgeable persons such as university professors will give lectures and the teachers will have the chance to talk with villagers and artists," said Gabard.

The history professor spent last summer studying and touring India under the South Asian Faculty Development Program of Syracuse University.

A member of the VSC faculty for 22 years, his interest and knowledge of India and East Asia has been enhanced during the past five years as a result of several grants to study in this area.

Summer School Goes Fun For These Youngsters Here

By New VSC Sorority

Scholarships Are Awarded

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A new sorority has been added at Valdosta State College and three high school graduates have been awarded scholarships by the alumni association here.

Theta Tau chapter of Delta Sigma Theta social sorority has been granted a charter by the national organization, said Doris Scott.

Mrs. Scott, a member of the alumni association here, said the sorority is a social and service organization that is open to Negro and white girls.

Officers are Beverly Cochran of Albany, president; Mary Hopkins of Thomasville, vice president; Catherine Breeden Carter of Valdosta, corresponding secretary.

Carolyn Sapp of Sparks, recording secretary; Gwendolyn Walters of Brunswick, treasurer; Patricia Jackson of Quitman, custodian, and Willie Joyce Griffin of Valdosta, sergeant at arms.

The sorority is to have two initiations each year and girls are to be tapped for membership by invitation only.

"We stress scholarship and service but they will have plenty of time for social activities as well," explained Mrs. Scott.

The three high school graduates awarded \$100 scholarships by the alumni include Carolyn Irvin, Joann Felton and Polly Ashley.

Miss Irvin, honor graduate from Lowndes High School,



JOANN FELTON
Business Math

is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Irvin of 228 Bay Lane. She plans to major in music at Spellman College in Atlanta this fall.

A member of the chorus, she was a 1970 Governors Honors Program participant for gifted students, a member of the Beta club and a member of the State Youth Communications Committee set up by the State Board of Education.

Miss Felton is the daughter of Mary Felton of 807 Wiley Lane. An honor graduate from Valdosta High School, she plans to attend Valdosta



CAROLYN IRVIN
Spellman College

State this fall and major in business.

She wants to teach business math in Atlanta after she finishes at VSC.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ashley of Quitman, Miss Ashley is an honor graduate from Brooks County High School. She has been offered scholarships to Clark College at Atlanta and Bennett College in Greensboro, N. C.

She plans to major in psychology. While at Brooks County High she was president of the senior class, on the yearbook staff and the Student Council.

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Summer school is no longer the pain in the neck it once was to youngsters.

Now children want to attend the classes, especially when the sessions are operated as they are here and the object is to making learning fun.

It's so much fun that 10 ad-

ditional children showed up this morning for the migrant program at Parker Mathis Elementary School in the Lowndes County school system.

Program coordinator Diane Lee said 80 youngsters were already pre-registered for the five weeks week session but that 10 unaccounted for youths

came in also.

"They just heard about the program and thought it would be fun and got on the buses and came to school. We're getting them assigned to rooms now," said Mrs. Lee.

A similar situation happened at Leila Ellis Elementary School in the Valdosta system Tuesday. Migrant summer program director and school principal Maceo Horne said 77 children showed up while only 60 can be adequately handled.

"They wanted to come to school," he said.

The migrant programs are for offspring of migrant workers who travel with the crops. The youngsters seldom finish the year in the same school district and often fall behind in their academic work. The programs include enrichment and remedial work.

The city school system is also offering enrichment and remedial work at Lomax Elementary, Southeast Elementary and West Gordon Elementary.

The youngsters are given reading and math assignments plus art and music instruction. There is also recreation available not only for the students but neighborhood children as well at the elementary campuses.

Headstart for preschool age children from low income families is being held at Valdosta Junior High School. More than 400 youngsters showed up for the first day of the six weeks program Tuesday and about 80 more are expected by the first of next week.

The headstart classes were originally scheduled to be housed at Sallas Mahone Elementary School. The kitchen at Sallas Mahone is to be renovated this summer so the program has been moved to VJHS.

This year about 330 students are enrolled in summer classes at Valdosta High School making it the largest such program in the history of the facility.

About half of the students are taking at least two courses for credit. Students at VHS can take makeup work or new subjects. Many contend they are in summer school so they can graduate from VHS early.

It's About Helping Kids

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

There are 77 high school students who found jobs with the Neighborhood Youth Corps this summer.

And their work ranges from lunchroom assistants to classroom aides to recreation directors in the Valdosta school system.

Clarence Williams, coordinator of the NYC work this summer, said each of the students is paid \$1.60 an hour and works 25 hours a week.

A member of city school Supt. Foster Goolsby's staff, Williams said the students are involved in the summer school programs in the system.

"We've got some good help and were able to have more in the NYC program than ever before," he said.

There are high school age students working in the recreation parks designated at Lomax, West Gordon, South-

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Young Ideas...

east and Leila Ellis schools.

Organized sports, games and "do your own thing," as one worker put it, are included in the recreation program. The children's own thing might be swinging on a swing, climbing monkey bars, playing on the grass, shooting marbles or dancing to the tunes of a worker's radio.

The exercise is important and helps the children let off steam. The classroom teach-

ers benefit from this, too. The youngsters are more interested in the academic work when they have recreation, officials say.

"But the children learn to work and play in groups," said Cathy Morgan.

The 16-year-old rising Valdosta High School senior said she is helping with the enrichment program at Leila Ellis Elementary so the youngsters will do better in the regular classroom this fall.

"They need more attention and by having additional help, the children will get the lessons quicker," said Miss Morgan.

Another migrant youth worker Evelyn Kyer, 14, said the teachers can do more actual teaching while she and other NYC help in the recreation part of the program.

Recreation is nothing new to Lucille Gates, 15. A sophomore at VHS, she was a volunteer at the Southside Recreation Center before taking a job at Leila Ellis.

"If kids can have fun in

school, they'll enjoy the work more. I think the enrichment program does a lot of good and has provided jobs for a lot of us who wanted to work with children," said Miss Gates.

Anthony Hodge, 14, is a softball instructor. The VHS-Pinevale Campus student said his job with the NYC lets him work and still have time to himself this summer.

"And I feel we are helping others. Most of the children have never had much organized play before. They need to learn how to play games and how to get along with others," he said.

Another worker who helps in the lunchroom said she's seen children eat as though they have never seen food before.

"I mean they were eating things that a lot of us take for granted but they had never seen before. It makes you appreciate what you have and want to help those who are less fortunate," said the girl.

Others feel summer programs like the ones here should be made a part of the regular academic year. More teacher aides should be used and more imaginative instructors put in charge of the slower learners they contend.

"We are finally paying attention to the children that need help but we need to do more. Education is the key but education without care is no help at all. We care, that's why we are here with these teachers this summer," said a youth worker.

Class Is Learning And Saving Money

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

One doesn't have to be creative to learn to stitch a fine seam in Margaret Okerson's sewing classes this summer.

It takes a warm body, willing hands and ability to follow instruction, she maintains.

In the first week of classes some of the youth are putting together maxiskits, men's jackets and hot pants. And it's all done under the watchful eye of the head of Lowndes High School's home economics department.

But the classes aren't being held at Lowndes High this summer. A faulty air conditioner caused Mrs. Okerson to pack up the sewing machines and other equipment and move to West Gordon Elementary School interiors.

That's where she and her pupils will be Monday through Friday until July 30 she said.

Registration is from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. each week day at West Gordon in the Valdosta school system and participants can choose from morning or afternoon classes.

"They can come five days a week from now until the classes end or they can come whenever they find it convenient," said Mrs. Okerson.

She hasn't set any age limit on her program and said participants can take the basic sewing, tailoring and or handcrafts.

The handcrafts include smocking, needle point, stitchery, applique, crocheting and monogramming.

Registration fee is \$10 and there is no charge for the instruction.

"I like to teach on an individual basis and this summer work allows that. The girls who are in now are real interested in doing a lot different things so we should have real sharp looking outfits by

the time they finish the course," said Mrs. Okerson.

The girls who have enrolled contend that they can make what they want in fashions cheaper than they can buy them.

"And they can have more, too," said Mrs. Okerson.



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Mrs. Okerson with Students: They're Learning To Stitch a Fine Seam This Summer



—Times Staff Photo

Way To Play!

Lucille Gates, left, leads a group of youngsters in games at Leila Ellis Elementary School. The 15-year-old Valdosta High School sophomore is among the 77 teenagers hired through the Neighborhood

Youth Corps to work in the summer programs in the Valdosta school system. She is a recreation leader in the special enrichment program for children of migrant workers.

Former Wildcat

But his interests aren't limited to football. He attended every football and basketball game Lowndes played, in town or out, and when there wasn't a game scheduled there, he traveled over to watch his Alma Mater, Valdosta High School play.

Todd was a standout guard for the Wildcats himself when Valdosta first won a state championship under coach Wright Bazemore in 1948. Though small in stature, he was one of the best around, teammates have told me.

After making a trip to Abraham Baldwin College in Tifton where he noticed a special scoreboard to show bonus points in the gym, he built a replica of his own which is now installed in the Lowndes gym. And the lights didn't go on, in that gym, for a single game or a tournament when he wasn't there working on something, from the heaters to the concession stand.

All part of his job, you say? Not hardly. He heads a six-man squad, including himself, who are supposed to fix anything that goes wrong at any of the county's eight schools, from repairing a boiler or resurfacing a gym floor to hauling the week's groceries.

Melvin Takes Job As S-M Principal

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Once you're in education, it's hard to leave. Jim Melvin did but he's back now.

The former Valdosta State College basketball coach has been named principal of Sallas-Mahone Elementary School, according to city school Supt. Foster Goolsby.

Melvin, who is to start work in July getting the school in order for this fall, replaces Mrs. Norman Allen who retired earlier this month.

In his announcement this morning, Goolsby said that social studies teacher James Smith has been assigned to the assistant principal's job at the Valdosta High School - Pinevale Campus this fall.

Smith has been on the faculty at Valdosta Junior High School for two years. He served in an administrative capacity under former VJHS principal Lloyd Mims.

Smith is to serve under Pinevale principal C. T. Dickerson. He replaces Jack Coffey who has been assigned an assistant principalship at VHS.

Lloyd Mims has been named principal at Valdosta High School replacing Charles (Chuck) Green who resigned to go to the University of Georgia at Athens to work on his Ph.D.

Jim Hunt, assistant principal at VJHS, was the original choice for Sallas - Mahone but was named to the helm of Valdosta Junior High after Mims was moved to VHS.

That left the vacancies at Sallas-Mahone and Pinevale.

Goolsby said he feels Melvin and Smith will do outstanding jobs in administration for the city school system. Both are in summer school at VSC and Smith was not available for comment this morning.

Melvin resigned his position as head basketball coach at VSC this spring after three years in the top post. He had served as assistant coach for two years.

Melvin left the college to take a job with Woodgate Industries and was with the local company about 2½ months before realizing that he belonged in education, explained his wife, the former Kay Cato of Americus.

"Jim is real excited about Sallas - Mahone. He loves little children and gets along so well with them. He just feels education is where he belongs. Once you'r in it, you can't stay out of it," said Mrs. Melvin.

Melvin agrees. "I've always been extremely happy in education and I didn't get any fulfillment in my other job (Woodgate). I liked the work but it



JIM MELVIN
Born Educator

wasn't me. I wasn't doing my thing," he said.

"This (elementary administration) is an area in which I've always had a keen interest and I feel extremely fortunate to be working with such a fine teaching staff. Sallas-Mahone has an excellent reputation and I hope to take advantage of it," said Melvin.

The superintendent describes Melvin as a born educator and one who will go far in his field.

"He has the ability to organize and manage people and things. He also has a background in teaching that will allow him to rapidly become acquainted with the technical aspects of an elementary program.

"He will be the type principal that parents, students and teachers will be proud of," said Goolsby.

He said Smith will also be an effective administrator at Pinevale.

"For a number of years Mr. Smith has been under a good teacher, Lloyd Mims, and there is every reason to believe that Mr. Smith is experienced enough under one of the better administrators to begin performing effectively as a school administrator."

A native of Rockledge, Fla., Smith was at Clinch County High School in Homerville before joining the Valdosta school system. While at VJHS he was coordinator of the grounds beautification project.

He was graduated from VSC and is pastor of Beulah Baptist Church here. He and his wife, the former Iris Hammock, have two children.

He is president of the First Baptist Church here and a deacon at the First Baptist Church where he teaches the college level Sunday

school class.

A native of Plains, the 31-year-old administrator was an honor graduate of Plains High School and entered Georgia Southwestern Junior College in Americus on an academic scholarship.

He traded that in on an athletic scholarship at VSC two years later and became one of the school's finest cagers ever. He joined the Peace Corps after he graduated from VSC and then became physical education director for the Americus school system.

Melvin then became basketball coach at Mitchell County High in Camilla and directed them to the state tournament finals two years before entering the University of Georgia for his Master's degree.

While at VSC he was awarded three coach of the year titles. He earned the honors for the Georgia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference both years and the District 25 title of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics his first year.

He and his wife have a 2½-year-old daughter.

American Legion Looks For Coach

Now in its third year, the Valdosta American Legion baseball team has found itself in coaching trouble. Fact is, the team doesn't have one anymore.

Bob Lingenfelter, a Valdosta State College student who has been working part-time to pay his way through school, found a change in schedule at work made it impossible for him to continue coaching the 15-member team.

So the boys and Legion baseball committee chairman Andy Rumker have been going it alone. The Post 13 team pulled off its first win of the season . . . without a coach, in Americus Saturday night for a 1-4 record.

But Rumker feels the players would have a better chance in the rest of their 19 games if they have a coach. And he says anyone interested in taking over can call him.

A news release from the Iowa State University Cyclones says Valdosta's Willie Jones has shown he knows how to catch a football. Shucks, anyone from here could have told them that.

Willie led Valdosta's Wildcats in receiving in 1969

when he helped the 'Cats roll to the State Class AAA co-championship with Athens.

He was the one who went out long for a pass against Savannah and saw the toss drop short . . . right into a defender's hands. But he simply reached over, picked it out of the other player's hands and cruised on in for the touchdown without ever breaking stride.

On the ISU freshman team last year, the 5-10, 165-pound flanker hauled in 12 passes for 289 yards and three touchdowns, leading his team in receiving.

Then in the Cyclone spring football game, he hauled in five passes for 128 yards with touchdown jaunts of 37 and 58 yards.



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High School P.E. Memories Strong

Summertime . . . when the weather's hot, the days are long and all your old high school friends are home for vacations and discussions about the old days.

Those good old days of Physical Ed during our senior year at Valdosta High School when we thought Wright Bazemore put us through a lot more work than the varsity football team.

Take for example the time he lined everyone up on the east end of the football field and told us we would run in under 13 seconds or we'd run all day.

Now back then I wasn't much quicker than I am now, and although I was the second one to run, I was positive that 13.1 was as close as I would get.

"Run it again," came the orders.

"Aw coach,"

"Run it again!"

There's no sense arguing with the man. If he wants me to run it and make a fool out of myself I would run it. But then the luckiest thing that ever happened to me occurred. I took one step

and came down on a piece of glass.

"Look," I cried happily, showing him the trickle of blood, knowing I wouldn't have to run again.

"Go on . . . run it again," came the orders. But I was saved . . . because it was about that time that Mrs. Bazemore walked up, told me not to run and half carried me to his office where she put four Band-aids on the tiny cut.

What I don't remember is that I hadn't even entered



JULIAN MILLER

Ga. School Officials Silent On Teacher Assignment Rule

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP) — State school officials have generally declined to comment on a district court order which affects teacher assignments in 79 Georgia school districts.

A three-judge panel issued a ruling last week that faculty assignments in the districts must be "substantially the same" as the racial ration in the entire system.

The judges also ruled that segregation of pupils by sex is legal. Attorneys for several individual plaintiffs had argued

that segregation by sex was racially motivated.

School authorities said they wanted to receive and review copies of the order before making statements.

Asst. State Supt. Joe Edwards said, "A great majority of the systems are operating in line with the various court orders, but a few may have to take additional steps. We really can't say at the moment."

Last week's ruling was the latest in a series of orders dating back to a ruling in Decem-

ber 1969 that the districts must desegregate classes.

Originally 81 school systems were involved, but Winder merged with Barrow County and Hawkinsville with Pulaski County.

The districts were told to file desegregation plans by March 1970 or lose state funds. That placed responsibility for desegregation at the state level, for the first time in the United States.

The three judges said in their opinion: "It should now be abundantly clear to all save those who adamantly refuse to see or hear, that the supreme law of these United States provides that dual school systems must be completely abolished . . ."

Georgia's other 111 school systems at the time were either in compliance with federal guidelines or were under separate court orders.

An additional ruling early this year said that more than 60 of the systems must prepare desegregation plans for their transportation facilities.

The 79 school districts involved in the case are:

Americus city, Appling, Atkinson, Baker, Barrow (Winder city), Blakely city, Brooks, Bryan, Butts, Calhoun, Camden, Candler, Charlton, Chattahoochee, Clay, Cochran city, Columbia, Cook, Coweta, Crawford, Decatur city, Dooly, Dublin city, Early, Echols, Elbert, Grady.

Also, Hancock, Harris, Hart, Pulaski (Haskinsville city), Hogansville city, Lamar, Lee, Macon, Marion, McDuffie, McIntosh, Meriwether, Miller, Mitchell, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Newton, Peach, Pelham city, Putnam, Quitman, Randolph, Rome city and

Schley, Seminole Sumter, Tattall, Taylor, Terrell, Thomas, Toombs, Treutlen, Troop, Turner, Twiggs, Vidalia city, Walker, Warren, Wayne, West Point city, Wilcox, Wilkes, Wilkinson and Worth.

'Cats And Vikes Grid Slates Set

While the start of the 1971 high school football season is still more than two months away I've already started getting questions about the Valdosta Wildcats' and Lowndes Vikings' schedules.

The best way to put it is that the 'Cats and Vikes, both members of Region 1-AAA, will play the same set of foes as they did in 1970, in the same order, but the game sites will be reversed.

As most of you know prep grid slates in our state are made two seasons at a time. If any changes in region line-ups are to be made they won't come until after the close of the 1971-72 school year next June.

Anyway, for the 1971 grid campaign Region 1-AAA will again have 12 teams. Since each can play only 10 regular season games, it means some loop members won't be meeting each other. Valdosta will play everyone but Thomasville Central. Lowndes will face all the league members except Albany.

Here are the 'Cats' and Vikes' 1971 football schedules:



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VALDOSTA — Sept. 3 Thomasville, away; Sept. 10, Dougherty, home; Sept. 17 Crisp County, home; Sept. 24, Bainbridge, home; Oct. 1, Albany, away; Oct. 8, open date; Oct. 15, Moultrie, home; Oct. 23 (Saturday), Monroe, away; Oct. 29, Westover, home; Nov. 5, Tift County, away; Nov. 12, Lowndes, away.

LOWNDES — Sept. 3, Thomasville Central, home; pt. 10, Moultrie, away; Sept. 18 (Saturday), Thomasville, home; Sept. 25 (Saturday), Westover, home; Oct. 1, Crisp County, home; Oct. 8, Tift County, away; Oct. 16 (Saturday), Dougherty, away; Oct. 22, open date; Oct. 29, Monroe, away; Nov. 5, Bainbridge, away; Nov. 12, Valdosta, home.

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Work Begins On Cleveland Field Ticket Gate

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Work was started Wednesday on a new ticket gate at the northeast corner of Cleveland Field at Valdosta High School.

The new gate is part of combined efforts of the Valdosta Board of Education and Touchdown Club to ease congested pedestrian traffic and seating problems at the football field.

The additional gate is to be the fourth at the 9,000-seat stadium. Work is expected to be completed before the first home football game Sept. 10.

According to the new regulations, spectators must enter the gate designated on their tickets. This is to relieve traffic jams at the northwest and south-

east gates.

Every seating section is to be lettered and tickets are to be sold by sections.

"Each person who buys a ticket or has an official pass will be ensured a seat through this method," said board finance director Jack Kent.

Season ticket holders will have their seat numbers and section printed on the tickets and general admission will have the section letter, he explained.

"But everyone must sit in the section so printed on his ticket. He will not be allowed to sit anywhere else but in the section on his ticket," said Kent.

The new method of seating will also ensure that the school officials won't oversell the

games, he said.

"We'll sell out but we won't oversell. Everyone who buys a ticket will have a seat," he said.

Persons with passes must enter through the southwest gate on Slater Street and sit in a designated section in the South stands.

"We'll also have gates at the corners of the stands. This means that no one will be allowed to enter or re-enter any section other than the endzone section without a ticket sub designating admission to that section. People have got to hold on to their ticket stubs if they want to leave and come back in," explained Kent.

Ushers are to be posted at each section and will help with

the new seating arrangement at every game, he said.

Press and teacher passes will admit only the one person to whom the pass is issued, he said.

"We think this will help relieve the congestion at football games and will cut out the walking back and forth in front of the stands.

"We had so many complaints about the continuous walking

and standing because the people on the first two or three rows couldn't see the game," said Kent.

The finance director said school officials anticipate some problems with the first game because of the new plan.

"But once people see the elimination of the traffic that we used to have and are guaranteed a seat, I believe most spectators will appreciate this," said

Kent.

The stadium work is being done by the school maintenance department and the brick masonry class.

Cost is expected to be less than \$2,000, said Kent.

Touchdown Club officials asked the board last spring to make the changes this summer.

VHS Valedictorian Given Digest Excellence Award

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Mary Beth Smith, valedictorian of the 1971 graduating class at Valdosta High School, has received the annual award of the Reader's Digest Association for scholastic and leadership excellence.

The digest award is given to the highest honor graduate in senior high schools throughout the country.

Miss Smith is to receive an honorary one-year subscription to "The Reader's Digest" in any one of its 13 language editions that she chooses and a certificate from the editors "in recognition of past accomplishments and in anticipation of unusual achievement to come."

The daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Fred C. Smith of 906 Millpond Road, she is a freshman at Valdosta State College. Miss Smith participated in the Early Admissions Program at VSC this past academic year.



MARY BETH SMITH
New Honor

The digest award is designed to stimulate scholarship, citizenship and continued contact with good reading after graduation.

Supplemental Grants Given Two Systems

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Local and area school systems have been awarded state grants to supplement programs this fall.

Lowndes County schools have received \$17,160 to be used for math and reading programs while Echols County got \$1,430 for its art and music projects.

The Lowndes County grant is to be used to supplement the Individually Prescribed Instruction (IPI) program in the elementary schools, said curriculum director James Goolsby.

The Echols County schools are to offer art and music enrichment programs.

The two grants are part of the \$3.2 million in state funds distributed to 162 school systems.

The money is being made available under the Instructional Assistance Program established by the State Legislature this year.

The program is an attempt to solve the most critical individual education needs as identified by each school system which submitted an IAP application.

Program coordinator Allan W. Gurley said each grant is being given on the basis of about \$130 per state-allotted teacher in grades one through seven.

The grant is not to supplement salaries nor purchase materials but to employ additional staff members necessary to carry out the objectives of the approved program, said Gurley.

The system may spend its allocated funds for either professional or auxiliary personnel.

VHS Grad Receives OU Honor

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A Valdosta High School graduate, Janice Rentschler, has been awarded one of the first Oglethorpe University Presidential Merit Scholarship Awards.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dorwin Rentschler of 2205 Sherwood Drive, she received the Thornwell Jacobs scholarship for overall excellence.

Miss Rentschler is to enroll as a freshman at Oglethorpe at Atlanta this fall.

The Oglethorpe Presidential Merit Scholarship program has been adopted to aid and encourage high school graduates who have displayed excellence in scholarship, citizenship, leadership and character.

VHS' Art Area Being Renovated

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta High School art department will be the most used area in the school system this fall, said city board of education finances director Jack Kent.

The art department housed in the school superintendent's office on the VHS back campus, is to serve as a board meeting room and Title I conference area.

Kent said the art room is being renovated this summer for multipurpose use. The \$4,000 for the remodeling work was in the 1969-70 Title I federal funds budget.

A restroom area for the Title I secretaries is to also be included in the work.

"It'll work out good for everyone I think. The art department won't be there but one more year because the new Valdosta High School will be completed the following year," Kent said.

"There is a storage room for the art department and they'll have the patio they built for work they need to do outside."

The school board's monthly meetings will be held in the multipurpose room beginning this month, said the finance director.

The board's regular meeting date this month has been changed to July 20 at 7:30 p.m. There is to be room for visitors in the new meeting area.

The board has been holding its meetings in the VHS library because the old conference room in the superintendent's office can't accommodate visitors.

Kent said another section of the superintendent's office is being remodeled this summer for the accounting department.

"For the first time, the payroll, finance and purchasing people will all be together. This will save us a lot of lost time because we are scattered over

the building as it is now," said Kent.

The new area is to be air-partitions.

"If it weren't for airconditioning it wouldn't cost but about \$2,000. We have to cover the concrete floor and put up partitions but we are doing all this ourselves to keep the cost down," said Kent.

He estimates the cost of the work to be less than \$5,000.

"We've run out of room here and needed some additional space. It looks like we are going to be in this building for quite some time," he said.

When asked about the possibilities of using part of the old VHS when the new \$4.5 million Valdosta High opens in the fall of 1972, Kent said the future of the present campus is uncertain.

"I don't know how it will be used. It will be used but in what capacity I don't know. There are a lot of possibilities for the building's use but as far as I know no decision has been made yet on it," he said.

Art Service Is New VHS Course

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A new course, art services, is to be added to the curriculum at Valdosta High School this fall with the addition of another art instructor.

Lloyd Mims, who is to replace Charles (Chuck) Green as principal in August, said the expansion of the art department means additional classes will be offered when the new school year begins.

Patsy Smith of Valdosta Junior High School is transferring to VHS and will teach the new course, he said.

"I think art services will mean a lot to the school and students. It's a student involvement thing and covers a wide range of activities," said Mims.

Mrs. Smith said the class to include graphics will mean that her students will be doing all the posters, signs and beautification for the campus.

"We'll take on the homecoming decorations and things like that," she said.

The course counts a full unit toward graduation.

Jerry Pilcher, art department head, said the addition of Mrs. Smith means more classes will be opening up for students in that section.

"We'll be able to offer art history and theory now besides additional classes for beginners and advanced students," he said.

Mims said registration is being held this week for those students who want to take art this fall.

"The registration was closed this spring because of the limited space but it's open again this week for those students who couldn't get in an art class and those who now want to take an art class," said the new principal.

Students can register at VHS from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. through Friday with assistant principal Jack Coffey.

The wife of pharmacist Tom Bush Smith, the new VHS art teacher has been with the city school system 14 years. She was at VHS two years.

Mrs. Smith attended the University of Georgia at Athens and was graduated from Valdosta State College. The Smiths have two children, T. Bush, 14 and Ginny, 10.

Union Camp Names New Engineer

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A Valdosta High School graduate, Jack Armstrong, has been named process engineer at a chemical company here.

Armstrong is in charge of evaluation and design of present and new processing equipment at the Union Camp Corporation facility here.

A 1961 graduate of VHS, he received a degree in chemical engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology. He has been an engineer in Wilmington, N. C., and Houston, Tex., before returning to Valdosta.

Armstrong is a member of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, Tau Kappa Epsilon social fraternity and the Georgia Tech alumni association.

He is married to the former Marilyn Finch of Atlanta and has one son.

School Merge Petition Continues

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Kiwanis Club here plans to keep up its petition campaign during the summer for a school consolidation referendum in hopes of getting the necessary number of signatures of registered voters to present to Mayor-Council.

The club is gathering the required 2,500 signatures of registered voters to ask Mayor-Council to call a referendum on the question of the city school system merging with the Lowndes County school district.

The Valdosta school system is one of about 32 independent districts in the state. And, because it is an independent system, no state funds are available for transportation. State school officials have been urging consolidation with county systems for the past decade.

Kiwanis Club president M.D. (Buddy) Webb said the signature effort is moving along faster now than it did this spring.

"We still don't have enough signatures, but we are moving faster and will continue this until we get enough," said Webb.

Signatures of at least 25 per cent of the registered voters in the city are necessary for Mayor-Council to call the referendum in which only city residents can vote.

Committee member Floyd Moon said the effort has reached the halfway mark now and petitions are being gathered in

Valdosta Graduate Plans Study Of French Culture

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A Valdosta High School graduate, Dee-Dee Durden, left this week to spend the summer in France through The Experiment in International Living.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Durden of 704 Bay Tree Drive, she and 10 other young people in her experiment group are to undergo preparation for the stay abroad.

The group, with the assistance of an experienced leader, is to discuss the customs and culture of France and prepare to meet its people on their own terms.

The experiment has been

engaged in international educational exchange since its founder, Dr. Donald B. Watt, first introduced a group of American youths to their French and German-speaking counterparts in Switzerland in 1932.

It is now the most well-established program of its type in the world with representatives in more than 60 countries involved in the annual exchange of about 5,000 young men and women between the United States and 100 nations around the globe.

The private, nonprofit organization maintains its headquarters in Putney, Vt.

Miss Durden and her fellow experimenters are to live

with individual families in France for a month. This first hand opportunity to develop friendships, to learn the customs and traditions and to participate in the activities of the host country from the vantage point of a family environment is the heart of the experiment program.

During her last three weeks in France, Miss Durden and her group are to invite members of their host families to join them for an extensive travel period throughout the country.

"Seeing the host nation through the eyes of its nationals is a special feature of the experiment programs," said a program spokesman.

TD Club Wor

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdostan Pardee Goodloe is a banker by profession and an avid Valdosta High Wildcats football booster by choice.

Goodloe, a 36-year-old vice president and cashier of The First National Bank here, has long been one of the prime movers in the superactive Valdosta Touchdown Club.

He's been a Touchdowner for 11 years, was the club's secretary for four years, served as the organization's president in 1970-71 and is currently on the TDC's board of directors.

A Valdosta native, Goodloe attended Valdosta High. He was too small to play the grid sport himself, but became a fan then and is still very much one.

"I've always loved the Wildcats," Goodloe said. "It started when I was in high school

one of my favorite people. So belonging to the Touchdown Club and taking an active part in its projects just seem to come natural for me."

The 750-member TD Club is one of the largest, if not the largest, organization of its type in the country. It conducts many projects, but its chief aim is to back the 'Cats, something the club does in outstanding fashion.

"The work I've done with the Touchdown Club, especially last year when I was president, has been hard and time consuming," Goodloe said. "But remember, I've always had a lot of other dedicated people working with me. Besides, when you're doing something you believe in and enjoy you really don't mind

active in other areas of community life. He is a member of the Church of Christ, he is a director of the Optimist Club of Valdosta and he belongs to the YMCA and Chamber of Commerce here.

He's a member of the Valdosta Country Club and enjoys playing golf in what he describes as a "casual manner."

Goodloe is also a staunch supporter of the Distributive Education programs in schools here. He's a former DE student himself and feels the program can't be beat in developing initiative and skills among young people.

But football is his first sports love and that of his family, which includes his

Independent Districts

No Word Yet On School System Suit

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta Board of Education has not received any word on the independent school system suit aimed at getting

the 33 one-third per cent penalty charge to independent school districts revoked.

Board attorney and chairman Reuben Yancey said he thought

he would have heard something on the suit by now but that no word of any kind has been received.

The city board has authorized up to \$1,500 to be spent as its share of the cost of the proposed court suit. The penalty chargeback costs the city system about \$48,000 annually.

The suit is to be filed in federal court because a similar suit was thrown out of state courts several years ago on a legal technicality.

Some school officials here believe the penalty chargeback has been kept in effect in an attempt to force city school systems to consolidate with county districts.

The penalty charge has been in effect since about 1964. It was passed by the Legislature

at that time because the concentration of property on the tax digest was said to be within the bounds of the city limits, said Valdosta School superintendent Foster Goolsby.

The thought was the city exists not within itself but exists for and as a result of the surrounding support that it gets from residents outside the city limits, he said.

Yancey said the suit will probably be filed against the State Department of Education but "I don't know for sure; we haven't had any word on that part of it."

School officials from Lagrange, Carrollton, Decatur, Waycross and Atlanta are pushing the suit, said Goolsby.

There are about 31 independent school systems in the state.

Principal Posts

Tentative Picks Made By Schools

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Tentative selections have been made for the principal's post at Sallas Mahone Elementary School and the assistant principal's job at the Valdosta High School - Pinevale Campus, but the official announcement won't come until later this week.

Valdosta school Supt. Foster Goolsby said the two posts will be filled this week. "But it's just tentative right now," he said.

A shakeup in the administrative jobs came last month when Charles (Chuck) Green handed in his resignation after three years as principal at VHS to go back to graduate school. Green is to work on his Ph.D. at the University of Georgia at Athens.

Valdosta Junior High School principal Lloyd Mims was mov-

ed up to replace Green. Mims has been at VJHS, a trouble spot until he took over, for two years.

Jim Hunt, assistant principal at VJHS was named earlier this year to replace Mrs. Norman Allen who retired at Sallas - Mahone Elementary this month.

But the Valdosta Board of Education elected to put Hunt in the top spot at VJHS and look elsewhere for someone to go to Sallas-Mahone.

Jack Coffey, assistant principal at VHS - Pinevale Campus for two years, has been moved to a similar post at VHS main campus. Coffee is replacing Walter Altman who resigned after one year as an assistant principal at VHS to become a visiting teacher in the Lowndes County school system this fall.



Pardee Goodloe: Not Too Small To Be Fan

Former Valdostan Gets Doctorate At Pittsburgh

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

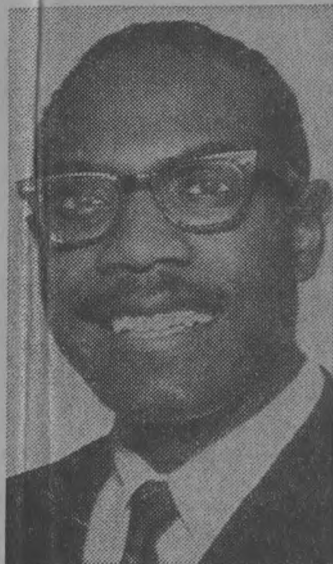
A former Valdosta school system assistant visiting teacher, James H. Foster, has received a doctorate degree in humanities from the University of Pittsburgh, according to an announcement.

Foster, son of the Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Foster of Valdosta, also received an honorary doctorate degree from Union Baptist Theological Seminary.

An AME clergyman, Foster has served with the Massachusetts Council of Churches, been chaplain and instructor at Albany State College and chaplain and assistant professor at Alcorn A&M College at Lorman, Miss.

From 1967 to 1969 he was assistant to the visiting teacher in the Valdosta schools and was social service director of the headstart program.

His wife, Bessie, was librarian at Valdosta High School. Mrs. Foster is with the Carnegie Libraries of Pittsburgh and has studied at the University of



DR. J. H. FOSTER
Also A Clergyman

Pittsburg school of library and information sciences.

Foster's brother, Arthur, is guidance counselor at West Gordon Street Elementary School here.

As Enrollment Rises

Schools Gonna Cost More

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

He doesn't have the time to devote to his favorite hobby right now but Reuben Yancey said he plans to start building models again in a few years.

Yancey, 39, is chairman of the Valdosta Board of Education and a partner in the law firm Walker and Yancey here.

The Cartersville native said he built model ships, trains, and airplanes when he had the opportunity.

"I've been so busy in the past few years that I haven't had time for that. I love to build and plan to do it again," said Yancey.

The lawyer, who grew up in Eastman with Rep. W. S. (Bill) Stuckey, D-Ga., also likes to hunt and fish. He has

a workshop in his home and likes to work with wood.

But Yancey says his law practice and school board affairs have kept him occupied for the past several years.

As board attorney, he handled the federal desegregation suit involving the local school officials and the U. S. Justice Department. Middle District Court Judge W. A. Bootle's decision to allow the board to operate the schools here this fall as they are now was a feather in Yancey's legal cap.

He has been on the school board since 1962 and is in his first year as chairman. He was treasurer for six years.

"If the student growth continues it'll be necessary to

keep adding to existing buildings and possibly add new schools," he said.

And to keep up with school needs and a possible student population increase, more finances will be required, he said.

"I think the Valdosta school system in itself is a good school system. We want to finish this high school and implement a good program of industrial arts there," said Yancey.

He was site chairman for the \$4.5 million new Valdosta High School now under construction.

The school is to open September of 1972 and is to replace overcrowded and outmoded VHS.

Yancey said he feels a comprehensive high school is a necessity regardless of whether the students go to college or not.

"I'd like to see some of the courses required. I think every child should be introduced to the world of industry and should be able to perform the basic chores in the home," he explained.

A major in the U. S. Air Force reserve, Yancey plans to stay in the military until he has 22 years with the Air Force.

He is married to the former Barbara Grinstead of Eastman and they have four children. The family attends the Park Avenue Methodist Church.

Yancey received his AB and law degrees from Mercer University in Macon. He is a member of the Elks Club, Valdosta Country Club, Moose Club, is a past president of the Lions Club and immediate past president of the Valdosta Bar Association.



Reuben Yancey: Has No Time For His Hobby

Wise Decision By Board

The Lowndes County Board of Education made a wise decision in deciding not to sell the building and facilities that formerly housed Westside High School.

Valwood School, a private school here, made an offer to purchase the property from the Lowndes board at a price of \$125,000. The Lowndes board in rejecting the offer said it would take nothing less than \$400,000.

Westside was one of the schools in the Lowndes system closed in the consolidation-desegregation program of two years ago. Since, the Westside building has been used in a number of different ways. Currently it provides offices and space for certain special programs.

Supt. A. B. (Sonny) Martin explained the board had no choice in deciding to reject the Valwood offer. If the board had decided to sell the building it would have had to pay the State School Building \$100,000 still owed on the building. Then it would have had to provide new space for the retarded children program housed there.

In addition, the school board would have come under much criticism for selling to a private school at such a low price.

By setting a \$400,000 price tag for old Westside, the board would not be subject to legitimate criticism if it sells at that price, regardless who the buyer might be.

Crane Was Cager At Ol' Dixie High

Football, Valdosta's most famous export, owes much of its prestige to a former high school basketball player at Dixie High School.

Not many people here know that Dr. Joe B. Crane, a local veterinarian, played the sport at Dixie High School in Brooks County, but almost everybody here knows of his activities in the Valdosta Touchdown Club.

Crane, a graduate of Auburn University at Auburn, Ala., moved here 28 years ago after serving a six month internship under a Valdosta veterinarian. "Now I just consider Valdosta my hometown," he said.

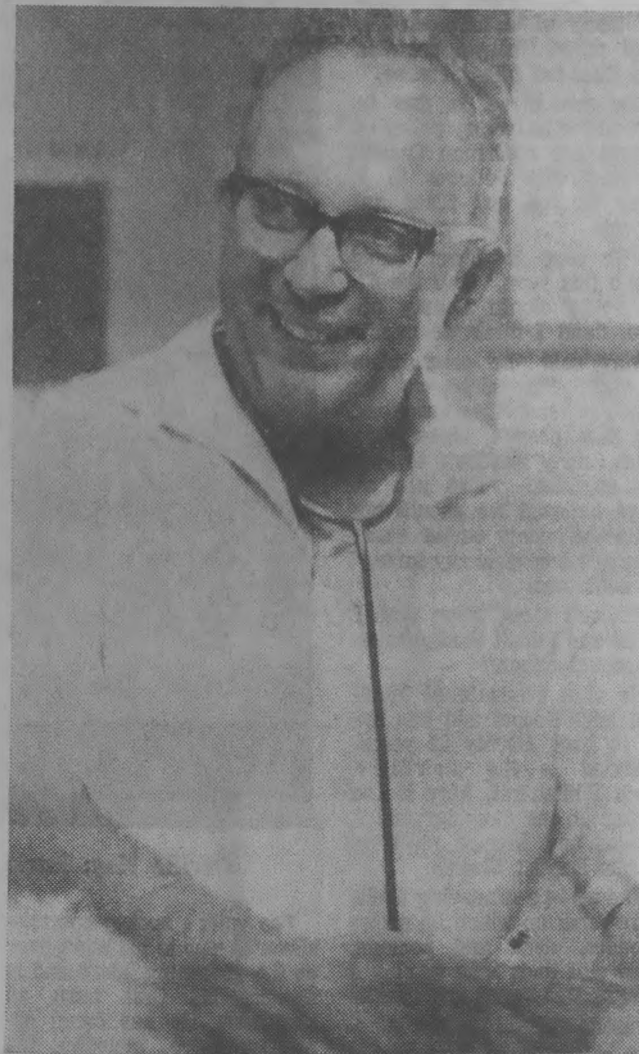
The jovial animal doctor is on the board of directors of the football boosting organization and is a past president. He is heading up a committee studying ways to improve seating and traffic flow at Cleveland Field, home stadium of the Valdosta High School Wildcats.

Though it's not as well known, Crane has played an active role in civic affairs not related to sports. He is a member of the board of directors of the Valdosta Rotary Club, chairman of the Valdosta - Lowndes County Fat Cattle Show and Sale for many years and is active in the United Fund Campaign having served as chairman of the special professions division.

Crane is also in his second term as chairman of the administrative board of Park Avenue United Methodist Church. A charter member of the church, Crane is a past chairman of the advisory board and was on the building committee during the planning and construction of the church sanctuary.

He is a past president of the Georgia Veterinary Medical Association and is vice-chairman of the Georgia State Board of Veterinary Medicine. He has chaired the state group in the past and is Eighth District Director for the Georgia Veterinary Medical Association.

An avid War Eagle supporter, Crane is the Georgia representative of the Alumni Advisory Council for Veterinary Medicine of Auburn University.



Dr. Joe Crane: Past GVMA President

Married to the former Ann Groover, Crane has two daughters and one son, Joe Crane Jr., who is a senior at Auburn majoring in veterinary medicine. A daughter, Kitty Sue, is a senior at Emory University School of Nursing.

"The youngest daughter Pat, has already applied for a job at the office," Crane laughed.

He said he became interested in being a veterinarian through his association with animals on his father's farm at Dixie. "He was postmaster in Dixie and farmed part-time," he explained. "I tended the animals and I can't remember the time I didn't have a pet."

Veterinary medicine has been a most satisfying career, Crane said. "I've always

had a very deep feeling for helping something that couldn't help themselves," he said. "Then there's the human aspect of the job."

"Children and pets have a close relationship and when you help a child's pet, you help the child. And there are old people whose pets fill a void left by children who moved away," he continued.

"Then there are farmers who depend on you to help them make more profit from their animals. I think it's a gratifying occupation."

Sooner or later though Crane's talk drifts back to athletics and the Touchdown Club work. "I'm a firm believer that athletics are an integral part of our education system," he said, "and I'll do what I can to make athletics better for our students."

New VJHS Principal

His Tenure Among Shortest

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Thirty-three-year-old Jimmy Hunt just may have had the shortest tenure as an elementary school principal of anyone in the Valdosta city school system.

He was supposed to take over the head spot at Sallas-Mahone Elementary School on July 1 but he hadn't even had a chance to meet the teachers before he was named principal of Valdosta Junior High School. The assistant principal at VJHS, he ended up succeeding his boss, Lloyd Mims, who is becoming principal of Valdosta High School, instead of Mrs. Norman Allen, who is retiring.

VHS principal Charles (Chuck) Green resigned to continue his studies at the University of Georgia.

Hunt, however, just chuckles about his short tenure at Sallas-Mahone. "I'm honored that I was asked to take the job at junior high," he said. "These are familiar surroundings and I feel real good about it. I like the school, students and faculty."

He's not planning to make any hasty changes. "We've got a real good thing going so we won't rock the boat," Hunt said.

On the VJHS staff two years, Hunt also wears a few hats other than the mortarboard. He is a captain and commander of the National Guard unit here; he's spent many a night as a basketball referee; and among part-time jobs he's been a painter.

Hunt has even spent a few months as a newspaper reporter, for the Daily Tifton Gazette. He was also a recreation director. That was also at Tifton and he held the jobs between tours in college.

A native of Moultrie, Hunt grew up in Tifton. He was graduated from Valdosta State College and is a candidate for the Master's degree in August from Georgia Southern College at Statesboro.

He is married to the former Judy Roberts of Quincy, Fla., who is also a VSC graduate, and they have two daughters. He is a member of Park Avenue United Methodist Church.

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Jimmy Hunt: 'Won't Rock The Boat'

ial studies teacher at Hahira Junior High School in the Lowndes County system before joining the city system. He is past president of the

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Cox To Join Ware System

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The director of instruction for the Valdosta school system has been named superintendent of the Ware County school district.

Dr. Jerry Cox, a member of the city school superintendent's staff here for three years, is to assume his new duties in Waycross Thursday.

Cox, 39, is replacing C. P. Hamilton, who is retiring from the top post in the Ware County school system. Cox was given a two-year appointment by the five-man Ware County Board of Education.

"Leaving Valdosta is the hardest leaving my family and I have ever done. This is a great town and it'll take me some time to say Gator instead of Wildcat at Ware County High School," said Cox.

Valdosta school Supt. Foster Goolsby said Cox has helped the local school district in many ways.

"He was in effect the assistant school superintendent in charge of instruction," said Goolsby.

The position that Cox is leaving has not been filled yet, he said.

Goolsby said he has recommended to the board of education that the job be filled by a person who could be moved up to the top administrative position in the city school system if the opportunity becomes available.

Cox is going to a 4,000-pupil system. The Waycross school system is an independent academic district. The county school system has about a 94



DR. JERRY COX
It's Gator Now

per cent white to about a six per cent Negro student ration, said Cox.

"Everybody wants to be a superintendent. That's the top of the line in public schools, or really the bottom because it's the supporting office for everything else. The superintendent has the responsibility to discharge the policies of the board of education," he said.

Before joining city school Supt. Goolsby's staff, Cox was on the faculty at Valdosta State College for a year.

He did his undergraduate work at Georgia Tech at Atlanta and received his master's and Ph.D. degrees from Florida State University at Tallahassee.

He is married to the former Dorothy Beall of Moultrie and the couple has four children. They are members of the First United Methodist Church here where Cox is an area lay reader.

Cox is a member of the Rotary Club publicity chairman of the Valdosta High School Band Boosters and is past president of the Civitan Club.

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"The Westside property is

for our purposes. Our value is, therefore, considerably less than the original cost, repaid largely by use, of the facility which if unused can be only a burden upon the people you serve," stated the letter.

The group asked for a six months option to purchase the land and facilities including fixtures and equipment now in the plant.

Supt. A. B. (Sonny) Martin told the board that it still owed more than \$100,000 on the industrial arts facility and the band room at the school

Martin said he had told Valwood officials earlier that the board would not be interested in anything less than \$400,000 for the building and grounds.

The superintendent said the federal government would have something to say about the sale of Westside if the board allowed it to go for \$125,000.

"If we sold it for a reasonable price and if they weren't eating into enrollment, which they are not doing, and if they provided some scholarships for Negro students, I don't think anything would be said about it," explained Martin.



—Times Staff Photo

VHS Counselor Marguerite Ford Looks at Grades with Early Graduates Donald Haney, James R. Stalvey, Randy Joiner and Vicki Rentz

August Graduation Class Big At VHS

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Students at Valdosta High School are already making plans for graduation — August commencement that is.

According to principal Charles (Chuck) Green, about 90 per cent of 84 students who to graduate at the end of the summer session are finishing school early.

There are 69 VHS students and 15 pupils from area systems who will be in the summer graduating class, he said.

The summer graduating class is the largest group to ever receive August diplomas from VHS. But this is the largest summer school enrollment VHS has ever had, said Green.

Graduation is at 8 p.m. Aug. 6 at Whitehead Auditorium at Valdosta State College's Fine Arts Building. The speakers are to be students but no decision which ones has been made.

The 323 students in summer school attend classes from 8-11:10 a.m. and from 11:50 a.m. — 3 p.m. each weekday.

Students can earn up to two units of credit.

The two credits are one of the reasons students have elected to attend summer school. Most want to graduate early to begin their studies in college or training at a vocational - technical.

"We have two semesters during the summer school session. We are just completing the first semester," said Green.

The second semester begins Monday which means several students will drop from the rolls because of completed work while others will be added for the last few weeks, said the principal.

"But the two balance out the enrollment so it be about the same," he said.

Most of the classes are being held in the air conditioned portions of the school while others are relying on fans and an occasional breeze to ward off the summer heat.

"It's hot but we'll be through in another few weeks," said one student.

Teacher Racial Ratios Ordered

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP) — The state Board of Education has been told that teachers in 81 school districts must be assigned on exactly the same racial ratio as the entire system—or as nearly exact as possible.

A three-judge District Court panel made the ruling yesterday in a case that had been remanded by the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals. The panel also upheld the legality of segregating school children by sex.

The district court had been ordered by the appeals court to consider the matter of faculty assignments in light of the Singleton vs. Jackson Municipal Separate School District decision.

Atlanta attorney Peter Rindskopf, representing a group of individuals as appellants, had argued that segregation by sex is "motivated by racial considerations."

However, the district court panel held that "the doctrine of equal protection applies to racial content or effect and not to the motives or purposes behind the acts of the state."

Rindskopf said he intends to appeal the segregation by sex section of the ruling.

Although he declined to comment directly on the court order, State School Supt. Jack Nix said, "I think it's pretty well time the federal courts get out of the business of education."

State Help Asked For School Work

Lowndes County manager Don Brazeal said he has asked for state help in getting grading and paving at the new \$4.5 million Valdosta High School site.

Brazeal said he hopes to get an answer from the State Highway Department next week on the request.

"We may get a negative answer but if it's approved, hopefully, the work will be done this year," he said.

The county would do the work with the state footing the bill on the clearing and rough grading of about 25 acres of land. There is also a request for a drive and parking area to be paved, said Brazeal.

The Valdosta Board of Education says it must have the athletic and parking portions of the campus developed along with the academic area if the campus is to be finished by September of 1972.

The board plans to have the school ready for occupancy by the fall of 1972. This is the last year the present outdated VHS is to be used for a senior high school facility, the board contends.

Board members asked the Lowndes County commissioners for help last spring in getting the site cleared. The commissioners said they were committed to other projects and that it would be a year before the job could be done.

The board has counted on promised support from the commissioners on the grading and paving portion of the job. Several school officials felt the commissioners were favoring the Lowndes County school system with work and not giving equal time to the city school district.

"We've been talking to Mr. Brazeal again and he's aware of our situation and needs. He's appealing to the state for help on this and I just hope we can get it," said board finance director Jack Kent.

Brazeal said he didn't have the cost estimate on the work but that the figure would be considerable.

Grant To Expand IPI Turned Down

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Lowndes County Board of Education has been turned down on its application for a \$850,000 federal grant under Title III to study and implement the Individualized Prescribed Instruction Program (IPI) at the secondary level.

Supt. A. B. (Sonny) Martin told the board at its regular meeting Tuesday the application was the state's number one priority but that only six of the large Title III grants were given nationwide.

"I understand we were right up there in the top 10 but that for some reason which I don't know yet we didn't get it. I'm disappointed but not discouraged," he said.

We have come a long way in this school system and we'll keep trying to get the money to finance this thing even if we have to go to the governor."

The grant would have been for a five-year period and would have trained personnel and financed research, studies and implementation of the program. Had the board received approval from federal officials, the Lowndes County system would be the first school district in the nation to have IPI in all the plants.

The county system is the first in the nation to have the program in all its elementary schools. The program is to go into its second year of operation this fall.

Martin gained state support after asking a group of the

Georgia school officials here last March to look at the IPI setup.

"We've got a hard working group of people employed in this school system. Where else has a group gone into total integration, the IPI program and the quarter system in two years time? Even if we don't make another major move in five years we'll still be ahead of many other school systems.

"But we don't want to stop. We want to carry this IPI program into the junior high and senior high schools. We feel it is just that important," said the superintendent.

In other matters:

—The board granted leaves of absence to Juanita Melton, Mary Lee Womack and Maggie Jackson.

—Voted to accept 11 transfer requests from the Brooks County school system to Lowndes County for this fall. Martin said the requests had been signed by Brooks County school Supt. J. H. Wells.

There were 34 Brooks County students who were legally enrolled in Lowndes schools last year. Five have been graduated. If the other 29 youths come back, there would be 40 Brooks County pupils in school here in September.

Board member Dr. R. K. Winston said some of the applicants could be trying to avoid the racial problem in their own school district by transferring here.

Brooks County has about a 64

per cent Negro enrollment in the schools.

The board denied two requests from county residents to transfer their children to the Valdosta school system. Insufficient reasons for transfers were the causes of rejecting the requests, said Martin.

There were 356 children, who live within the Valdosta city limits, who attended county schools last year while 205 Lowndes youngsters were in city facilities.

—The board agreed to call for bids at the August meeting on bus insurance, and gasoline and oil.

—The board instructed local architect Blake Ellis to call for bids as soon as he completes the drawings for the new superintendent's office on the Old St. Augustine Road adjacent to Lowndes High School.

Ellis has not given a cost estimate on the proposed 6,000-square-foot facility to be built on property the board purchased from Jimmy Rodgers. The former Rodgers home also on the property is to be converted into offices while the new building is to be constructed on the east side and connected with a covered walk.

The board hopes to take bids by the first of September.

Two In Drug Cases

Eight Sentenced In Court

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Eight persons have received prison sentences in the June session of the Lowndes Superior Court, including a 17-year-old Lowndes High School student charged with possession of marijuana.

Judge Omer Franklin gave 17-year-old Rex McDaniels a two-year probated sentence for possession of marijuana, stemming from an incident on March 3, at the high school, after he entered a plea of guilty.

McDaniels reportedly was trying to turn in the packet of marijuana to the school counselor prior to being called in by the principal. He was stopped by the ringing of a bell and another student saw the cellophane packet and reported it to Principal Tom Wall.

McDaniels reportedly went back to class and was later called to the principal's office. Wall telephoned the sheriff's office.

McDaniels was allowed to

complete quarterly examinations before charges were filed.

The other student, a 16-year-old boy, is alleged to have sold another student, a girl, two pills Feb. 25. The girl reportedly passed out in class after taking the drugs and was taken to Moody Air Force Base Hospital. Chief of Detectives W.F. (Billy) Cowart said she disclosed the name of the person who sold her the pills.

No action has been taken in the case as yet.

—Leroy (Chico) Harrington was sentenced to two years probation for possession of Marijuana stemming from an incident in August, 1969.

Harrington, of 715 Old Lake Park Road, was arrested August 12, along with two other men by three Valdosta Police and three State Patrolmen and was found to have two small packets of marijuana in their car.

Harrington plead guilty to the charge.

—John Lee Denson, 17, plead guilty to two counts of burglary and received two three-year sentences to run concurrently with a recommendation that he be sent to a school and taught to read and write and taught a trade.

Denson was accused of breaking into the South Patterson Used Car Company and stealing about \$2 in cash on Sept. 7, 1970 and then breaking into the Richardson Enco Service Station on Sept. 8, 1970.

Denson was a minor at the time of the offense but turned 17 while in the Lowndes County Jail and was tried in the Superior Court.

—Two men, H.J. Frazier and McKinley O'Neal were found guilty by a Superior Court Jury on two counts each of theft-by-taking.

Frazier was given two four-year prison sentences to run concurrently and O'Neal was given two five-year prison sen-

tences to run concurrently. They were also sentenced to three months to run concurrently with their previous sentence in an incident which occurred July 31, 1970 in the parking lot of Irvin's Men's Shop, Patterson St.

Lightsey was arrested charged with theft-by-taking long with a companion, Morin, 18, of 108 Martin St. They were accused of stealing 24 stereo tapes, a tape player, a skill saw, a hammer from a truck belonging to P.L. Webb of 702 Gordon Rd., while it was parked in the lot of Irvin's.

—Raymond Crawford and James King were sentenced to two-year probated sentences for stealing four bags of pecans valued at \$225 from a storage house belonging to Troy Register of Bemiss Road.

Crawford and King entered pleas of guilty to the charge. Judge Franklin, in sentencing King who was tried last, commented that he wished to be consistent in his rulings.

Franklin sentenced a third person involved in the theft, Solomon Davis, to the same punishment in the March session of Superior Court.

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County Schools Okay Drug Program

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A drug alert education program for grades 5-10 has been approved by the Lowndes County Board of Education to begin this fall.

The plan was prepared by the school system's drug alert team and council headed by Dr. John Youmans, Dorothy Morrison and Mary Pinkston. The program will be implemented in the

sessions held the day after the visits.

The classroom teacher also has specific responsibilities in the new program. The class instructors are to be provided with an advance fact sheet covering each teen counselor's visit.

The teacher is to preview this material with the students so the youth will better understand the information given by the counselor.

The teacher is to stay in the room during the monthly visit

and act as an observer and participant. The instructor and class are to review the teen counselor's visit.

The program will attempt to point out the consequence of drug abuse, identify youth problems as personal challenges, stimulate peer pressure with positive influences and encourage students to seek positive alternatives as meaningful ways of life, explained school Supt. A. B. (Sonny) Martin.

A suggested list of topics for the monthly sessions includes

October, Orientation and Testimonial; November, Legal Aspects; December, Sniffing; January, Marijuana; February, Amphetamines; March, Hallucinogens; April, Barbiturates and Narcotics, and May, Summary which urges young students to arrive at the correct decision regarding their future and drugs.

"I think it's a good program and can be beneficial if carried out correctly. I especially like the idea of getting the classroom teachers in on this, too," said Martin.

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meeting and equipment Com-pany of \$1,497 for the pipe.

Valtech Students Helping Bridge Communication Gap

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A couple of classes at the Valdosta Area Vocational Technical School have gotten into the communications field a little early.

But their work means that three facilities in the city school system will have working intercom equipment when classes begin this fall, said Jack Kent, board of education finance director.

"And it means a savings to

the system because the work is being done free. All we have to do is pay for some of the materials," he explained.

The classes involved in the work are electronics taught by Jim Young and radio and TV taught by Jack LeMasters.

"We have two classes doing this because the work fell in both categories," said technical school day coordinator Bill Glenn.

The students, whose average age is 19, are working on the intercom equipment at Valdosta Junior High, Valdosta High and Sallas-Mahone Elementary schools.

All three systems will be completely checked out from one end to the other before they are said to be in working condition by the tech school students, said Kent.

The intercom equipment at VJHS is being expanded into the gymnasium where speakers are being added.

"So far we've had to buy three tubes and the speakers for all the work that's been done," said the finance director.

The intercom work is part of the students' practical shop experience. They receive classroom credit for the job.

"They can learn a lot in the classroom on the things they have to repair but doing an outside job is a sort of challenge to them when it's for someone else," said Glenn.

The project also gives the two classes a chance to work together and learn from each other.

"And learning is what it's all about," said Glenn.

The intercom repair work is the latest public service project the technical school has undertaken.

The welding class built the bleachers for the track at VJHS and the masonry class did some work at Mathis city auditorium and the Little League Ball Park, said Glenn.

The technical school can't take on a lot of additional projects because the students must spend a certain amount of time in class, he said.

Valtech is part of the Valdosta and Lowndes County school systems. They city school board is the governing body for the facility.



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Jerry Herring, Jimmy Griffin Repair Intercom: Their Work Is a Savings To Schools Here

County School Boardsmen Cites Sex Education Need

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A Lowndes County Board of Education member said an adequate sex education program in the school system is long overdue and that children are suffering because of a lack of physiobiological knowledge.

Dr. Russell Acree of Hahira told the board at its meeting Tuesday that he sees the results from a lack of sex education each week in his office.

"I get a young, unmarried pregnant girl in my office every week. It's pathetic, really, the complete absence of sex education knowledge these girls have. They know how to get pregnant but anything beyond that, they don't know," he said.

Acree said he recently saw an unmarried college junior sociology major who was pregnant. "This girl was in college but was completely ignorant about so much of the bodily functions," he said.

The doctor said one of his patients is a 12-year-old girl who is pregnant.

"I told the parents not to blame the child but to blame us. I feel we are responsible. I don't think we are doing our job in the schools in this area," he said.

Board members agreed with Acree but made no move to fill the knowledge vacuum. Sex education is still a feared and misunderstood phrase by some local parents.

"And parents will knock this. We'll have our problems with the parents. We've got to educate the parents as to what such a program would be like because some of them don't want it. They didn't have it so they don't see why their children

should," said board member George Moulton of Twin Lakes.

Acree said he sees married people who are just ignorant about their bodies as students. "Unwanted babies happen everyday," he said.

Board member L. M. Tomlinson said he doesn't understand why students put so much emphasis on sex before marriage.

"I don't think anyone can decide another's morals but if the students had a good basic knowledge of their bodies, they wouldn't be so quick to try this or that," said Acree.

It's a problem that needs to be met head on because in the next few years Georgia will have more liberal abortion laws, he explained.

Board member Dr. R. K. Winston said the only reason nobody knew the extent of the VD problem in this country 30 years ago is because the word wasn't mentioned in polite society.

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time to do," said the superintendent.

T. M. Bland, board member from Clayville, said there seems to be more venereal disease, divorce and unwed mothers than ever before.

"I know we have more people but 30 years ago you never heard about any of this. There wasn't much then," he said.

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Working Out Their Problems

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She has steady work and an aunt keeps the baby during the day. For a couple of hours late in the afternoon she and the infant's father talk and play with the baby.

The 18-year-old mother and the young man are not married. Nor do they want to be for another year. It's not practical, they contend.

The father, a 19-year-old Lowndes High School graduate, is enrolled in the Valdosta Area Vocational Technical School. He has a year before he completes his study which will hopefully enable him to get a job to support the girl he loves and their baby.

"I can't ask her to live in even worse poverty than we now know. I have some pride as a man. As it is she lives with her family and I live with mine. Neither family has room for all of us," he said.

The girl works as a waitress. She has been lucky so far to have the day shift, she says.

"You might not think that is lucky. But I feel my baby needs some man's influence. There are nothing but women

in my family. I also feel the baby needs to see us together. I hope I can stay on with the day job," she explained.

Barbara Jones, that's not her real name, did not enroll in the special class for pregnant students in the Valdosta school system.

"I think the class is fine and a good thing. A lot of girls might never finish school if it wasn't for that. I wanted to stay at Valdosta High School so I didn't tell anyone. Sammy and my aunt were the only ones who knew," she said.

When the girl found out she was expecting, she didn't believe it. "I just didn't think it could happen to me. I thought of a thousand things it could be. Then I got scared and didn't want anyone to know," she said.

She considered abortion but loved the young man she was dating and didn't feel morally right in going through with the operation.

"Abortion is something each person must decide for herself. It wasn't right for me. I have too many hangups as it is. I'd have had a guilty

conscience about it and besides that I started wanting the baby," explained Miss Jones.

Her family was shocked and wanted her to marry the unborn child's father, Sammy Webb, which is not his real name either.

"We didn't want it that way. All my life Sammy has been the one for me. We love each other now but how would we be in a year with a baby, no money and all the pressures of today's world. Nowhere, that's where. This is something we're working out ourselves. I don't plan marriage for just a little while. I know us both well enough to know we wouldn't be together after a year if we were married," she explained.

Barbara Jones and Sammy Webb believe in marriage, they said, that's why they want to wait.

"People talk about us. I don't care. They don't know. I don't want what they've got. They got nothing as far as I can see but misery and unhappiness. We want more, why can't we have it?"

"The way it is now we're

still growing inside. We change, people do all the time and I want my marriage to be right. We could grow apart this year and we could get closer," said Miss Jones.

She said Webb is a good father and is considerate and kind.

"He changes diapers. You know a lot of fathers won't do that. He is sweet to me and I think this is real important. He's polite and if we disagree on something he listens to me and I listen to him. We don't fight a lot and we don't have the problems other people have. We have our problems but they are different," said Miss Jones.

Both young people have sought help with their situation. They couldn't find it at the high schools they attended here.

"The secretaries in the guidance offices didn't particularly want us in the office so we didn't go back. A couple of male teachers were nice to us and gave us some good advice. If they hadn't we'd have quit school. They treated us like young adults and not kids," said Webb.

Miss Jones said other young girls she's known who have had babies married and are miserable. "They've had more children which didn't help at all."

She and Webb said the baby is a beautiful thing to them and has helped both of them to mature.

"But a baby has ruined some people. We think we know so much about sex, lord, we don't know nothing. Sammy's father is diabetic. That's passed on we found out. High blood pressure runs in my family.

"If I had known all that we wouldn't have been so quick to become so involved," said Miss Jones.

Webb said there is a need for sex education in the school system.

"Maybe we wouldn't be where we are today if we had been in that kind of a class. Our folks sure didn't teach us anything. We found out from magazines and other friends. I don't want our little girl to find out like that.

"I hope we'll be able to talk. I hope she can learn things I don't know about in

school, I feel like what we are doing is best for her but I don't want her to go through the same thing," said Webb.

Miss Jones brought out a bucket of butterbeans and handed some to Webb to shell.

"Would you do this if we were married?" she asked him.

"I don't know," he said. At least he's honest, she said.

"We've got honesty if we don't have anything. But when you think about it, that's a lot more than most rich people have isn't it," she said and began shelling her beans.

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Arty Warning VSC Style

Mark Myddleton heeds the cartoon style warning at Valdosta High School that steps can be hazardous to students loaded with books. The art work is part of a school wide project to brighten up the halls of the old facility. Students have been working on the

art efforts all summer. Principal Lloyd Mims said he wants the school to have a good learning atmosphere and pleasant working conditions for its last year of use.

Setting Hair Styles

We wish our Valdosta Board of Education would concern itself with educational problems that really matter. To set a standard for the length of a boy's hair in high school just doesn't seem to be an educational problem.

It is a problem between the boy and his parents. If he wants to wear his hair down to his shoes, we can't see where it really makes any difference. The difference is whether he is a good student or not. That's what the schools

should concentrate on.

In setting standards for the length of hair, or the style of mustaches, the board is on shaky legal grounds. There have been enough court cases over the nation which have upheld the right of a student to wear his hair any length he pleases which shows that.

Is it any wonder that the talk these days is about "youth in rebellion?" Acts like this are what make some young people rebellious.

Letters To Editor

Do Not Impose Styles On Others

Sir:

Regarding the new hair cut rules for Valdosta High School:

I wonder when the supposedly intelligent, responsible adults of this community will quit imposing their own prejudices on others and realize that schools should be operated for the student's benefit.

Schools dominated by conservative administrators restrict student individuality. How does the principal or the school board expect a student to learn when his curiosity is stifled by administrative decisions?

The rare urge for individuality and self expression is stifled just because it is contrary to the style of the administrators.

The individual's right to

grow his hair long is as important as his right to breath.

I hope that Mr. (Lloyd) Mims and others can realize the merit of revising the rules they have developed for "every mother's child." Their system only leaves room for students who say what administrators like to hear and dress like they used to dress.

It is fine for Mr. Mims and others to wear their own hair as they please, but they should not impose their style on others.

If students at VHS accept these rules, (not totally unlike the "liberal" dress code of last year and the restriction on wearing dashikis in 1969-'70), maybe they deserve it.

R. K. Williams
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—Times Staff Photo by Robert

School Trim Job

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Valdosta High Bandsmen Put In 14 Hours A Day

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta High School Marchin' Cats are attending band camp at South Georgia College at Douglas.

The 155-member band left Friday for the six day camp and is to return Wednesday night.

The fourth annual band camp is financed by the Band Boosters and students. The \$25 fee includes room and board and transportation.

Band director Frank Butenschon said the students are putting in 14 hours a day of practice at the camp.

"This is our annual band camp to get the kids ready for football season. We march and have sectional rehearsals all day and part of the night," he explained.

The band students are up at 6 a. m. and on the field marching from 7-7:45 a. m. Breakfast is served from 8-9 a. m. and the students are back on the field from 9-10 a. m.

Sectional rehearsals are from 10 - 11 a. m. and the full band goes inside to practice from 11 - noon. Lunch is from noon to 1 p. m. and an afternoon break is from 1-2 p. m. From 2-3 p. m. the students are marching in sections with a break from 3-3:30 p. m. From 3:30-9 p. m. the band rehearses with an hour off for supper.

"They go hard and it's hot but this is where we get our routines and shows. This is where we put it all together for the football season," said Butenschon.

He said the students have Thursday off to get ready for first day of classes Friday. Rehearsals begin again here Friday. The first football game is Sept. 3 in Thomasville.

Band directors participating in the band camp besides Butenschon include Tommy Barr, Benny Ferguson and Travis Payne, all of Valdosta; George Rogero of Valdosta,

student at Troy State University in Alabama; Ward Burt of Eastman, and Jim Mahaffey and Johnny Long, both music instructors at Troy State.

"We think we probably have one of the best band camps around here. South Georgia College is out now and we stay in the dormitories and eat in the cafeteria. It's only an hour's drive from here and suits our needs," said Butenschon.

He said the camp rehearsals are open to the public.

City And County Schools Get Ready For New Year

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Teachers in the Valdosta and Lowndes County school systems are back at work making plans for almost 15,000 students.

City teachers began pre-planning Monday, county secondary school teachers began in-service training Tuesday while county elementary instructors reported last week for special training in the Individualized Prescribed Instruction (IPI) program.

Classes start Friday for the city school students while the county pupils report Monday.

The first day of school will be a full one complete with lunches served in all the facilities, according to city and county administrators.

Three Valdosta schools have new principals this fall. Lloyd Mims has moved from Valdosta Junior High to Valdosta High School. Jim Hunt has advanced to principal at VJHS while ex-basketball coach at Valdosta State College, Jim Melvin, is administrator at Sallis-Mahone Elementary.

Mims said class schedules for his students will be given out during homeroom period Friday.

The extended day schedule

has been abandoned this year and every student is to report to a homeroom teacher. This will help keep more accurate attendance records, contend school officials.

Only juniors and seniors will be allowed to leave after the fourth period class, said Mims. The sophomores will be on campus until 3:15 p.m. each weekday, he said.

Juniors and seniors who have jobs or who are in the early admissions program at Valdosta State College will be permitted to leave after the fourth period, said the principal.

"But they will be on campus for four consecutive periods. We're cutting out the drifting on and off campus. We are looking forward to a good year, the best we hope for the seniors.

"We are going to do all we can to make this a good learning situation for all the students. We have a good student body and want to see a lot of pride and school spirit displayed this year. I've got a good faculty and we are all here for the same thing — the kids," said Mims.

Both the city and county school officials are urging

parents to get their youngsters to classes the first day.

"It is real important that every child be in school Friday. A lot of people seem to feel that it's alright to drift in in the beginning whenever they feel like it," said Valdosta school Supt. Foster Goolsby.

The late comers fall behind in instructions and the absence of the first few days of school can cause students to fail for the entire year, he said.

The city teachers are to meet at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday at Southeast Elementary School for a systemwide faculty meeting, said the superintendent.

Lowndes County Supt. A. B. (Sonny) Martin said that his faculty will meet for a systemwide session at 1:30 p.m. Friday at Lowndes High School.

The county is entering its second year on the quarter system in the secondary schools.

The county elementary schools are in the second year in the IPI program. Spelling is to be implemented in grades one-six this fall in the program and IPI reading is to be carried into grades one-three. IPI reading was taught in grades four - six last year. IPI math is to again be in all elementary classes.

'Cats Pick 6 Players As Captains

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High's football Wildcats have picked six players to serve as team captains during the 1971 season.

The selection came by a vote of all the players Wednesday night at the Lowndes County 4-H Club Camp at Twin Lakes, where the 'Cats are holding pre-season drills.

VHS' new grid captains are: Quarterback Stanley Bounds (175, sr.), defensive back Alvin Payton (170, sr.), offensive guard Calvin Lester (175, sr.), center Steve Stanaland (220, sr.), defensive end David Berrien (170, jr.) and defensive end Scott Griffin (185, sr.).

The Wildcats' camp, which is again being sponsored by the Valdosta Touchdown Club, was to end today. Classes at VHS are to start Friday.

On Friday at 8 o'clock coach Wright Bazemore has scheduled a game-type scrimmage for the Wildcats under the lights at Cleveland Field, their home stadium.

The 'Cats are to open their season on Sept. 3 when they go against the Thomasville Bulldogs at Thomasville.

Valdosta Classes Open On Aug. 27

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Students report for the first day of classes Aug. 27 in the Valdosta school system.

Pre-planning for teachers is from Aug. 23-26. All faculty members are to be at their assigned schools at 9 a. m. Aug. 23, according to a spokesman in the city school superintendent's office.

The schools will close for Labor Day Sept. 6 and resume classes Sept. 7, according to the spokesman.

A student holiday is Oct. 29 while teachers attend the district Georgia Association of Educators. Thanksgiving holidays are Nov. 25-26 and Christmas holidays are from Dec. 20-Jan. 3.

Work days for teachers are Jan. 20-21 while students get holidays.

Spring holidays for students and teachers are March 6-7 and April 20-21.

The last day of classes is



FOSTER GOOLSBY
City Superintendent

June 1 and post-planning for teachers is June 2-7.

Hamill Resigns City School Job

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The supervisor of the maintenance department for the Valdosta school system has resigned after 22 years with the academic district.

Herchel Hamill submitted his resignation to school Supt. Foster Goolsby Friday. Mrs. Hamill has also turned in her resignation at Valdosta High School where she has taught English and Bible for about 15 years.

Hamill's resignation is effective Aug. 20.

The former VHS wildcat football coach said he doesn't want to leave Valdosta but that he's had a job offer that was "too good to turn down."

Hamill has accepted a position in the industrial arts department at Bainbridge High School.

"There is a good chance that it will work into a vocational education program. My wife and I love Valdosta but Bainbridge is closer to my home, Arlington," said Hamill.

He has been supervisor of the maintenance department for the system for about 11 years.

Before that he was an industrial arts teacher at VHS. Hamill has served as an end and

line coach under head football coach Wright Bazemore. He also coached boys basketball for a year.

The Hamills have four daughters and two grandsons.

Hamill did his undergraduate work at Georgia Southern College at Statesboro and his received his Master's degree from Mercer University of Macon.

Mrs. Hamill is a graduate of Tift College at Forsyth.

Valdosta Board of Education finance director Jack Kent said a replacement for Hamill has not been named.

Elementary Schools

Attendance Zones Due In Valdosta

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta school system is expected to have about 7,200 enrolled in classes when the 1971-72 academic session begins Aug. 27.

And all elementary children must attend the school in the zone in which they live, according to Supt. Foster Goolsby. The only exception to this is the group of youngsters who have received approval prior to April 1 from both the city and Lowndes County school boards to attend classes in another school system.

Federal funds coordinator for the city board of education M. E. Nichols said there are slight differences in this year's attendance zones as compared to last year's lines.

The zone lines were set in accordance with the federal court desegregation order handed down to the school officials here last spring.

"We counted heads in the zones several times as best we could to try and get an accurate count but people move a lot so we might be a little crowded at some of the schools," he said.

The board can reopen the old South Street Elementary, which was closed this past year on the suggestion of the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, to handle any overflow from Southeast Elementary and Lomax Elementary schools.

Nichols said there is a possibility that portable classrooms may have to be used on the Leila Ellis Elementary campus if crowded conditions exist there.

This year the zone line has been moved from Jane Street to Force Street for Leila Ellis.

According to attendance figures based on a May 31 count

in the schools, there are 3,857 white and 3,343 Negroes enrolled. This means that about a 54 per cent white and about a 46 per cent Negro racial ratio in the city system.

A breakdown of expected enrollment at each city school based on the May 31 figures are:

Leila Ellis Elementary — 289 white, 144 Negro, 433 total; Southeast Elementary — 420 Negroes; Lomax Elementary (three white, 502 Negroes) — 505 total.

West Gordon Elementary — 63 white, 587 Negroes, 650 total; S. L. Mason — 632 white, 156 Negroes, 788 total.

Sallas-Mahone Elementary — 595 white, 158 Negroes, 753 total; W. G. Nunn Elementary — 563 white, 17 Negroes, 580 total.

Valdosta Junior High — 641 white, 578 Negroes, 1,219 total.

Valdosta High — 803 white, 511 Negroes, 1,314 total.

VHS-Pinevale Campus — 268 white, 270 Negroes, 538 total.

Nichols explained that Negroes slated for Sallas-Mahone would be shifted to Southeast Elementary if an apartment complex across the street from the all-Negro school is taken into the limits.

The Negroes were added to Sallas-Mahone because elementary students living inside the Valdosta school district who are approved for transfer must attend Sallas-Mahone.

"But if the apartment complex is taken in they will be in the Southeast zone why we could have so crowded conditions there," said Nichols.

If Racial Ratio Upset

City Board Vetoes Transfers

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta Board of Education has voted not to approve any transfers into or out of the city school system which might change the racial ratio here or in the Lowndes County academic district.

The 5-2 split decision came after a 2½-hour executive session during the board meeting Tuesday night at Supt. Foster Goolsby's office. Board members J. L. Newbern and Hulyn Smith voted against the motion.

Board chairman and attorney Reuben Yancey did not vote and board member Joella Blackburn was absent.

The board's decision allows those students who had been granted transfer requests prior to April 1 to remain in the school system in which they attended last year.

But the move has left little hope of any new student transfers being approved for this fall.

Board transfer committee chairman Gordon Southwell said four county students have been approved by the Lowndes Board to come to the city schools if okayed by the Valdosta board. There are about 46 city residents who are seeking board approval to leave the system for the Lowndes County schools.

The board made its decision based on several members' interpretation of the federal court desegregation order.

The order states that if a school district grants transfer requests in or out of the system, those transfers should be

made on a nondiscriminatory basis and the accumulative effect should not reduce desegregation or reinforce the dual school system in either district.

The Lowndes County school system is also under a federal court order. Both orders were drawn up by Middle District Court Judge W. A. Bootle of Macon.

The city board asked Yancey last month to request an audience with Bootle on the transfer question. Some board members felt that under the court order each student had to attend school in the district in which they reside.

Yancey said that in a telephone conversation with Bootle, the judge refused to grant him an audience on the transfer problem. He suggested the board could have a hearing on the situation but Yancey declined the offer.

"I didn't think the board would want to get back in court and I think he was right not to want to get into it. He said he meant what he said in the court order," said Yancey.

Smith said the court order means that while the judge knew there were some transfers in the system, that all students who want to attend school in another system other than the one in which they live, must reapply.

"This means that if a city child has been going to county schools for eight years, he must reapply. I know it's hard and I sympathize but I feel like it's what the judge said," he said.

Board members John Howell, Dr. Robert Quattlebaum and

Stan Bishop felt the court order means that as of April 1 transfers must not have any effect on the racial ratio.

Board member I. H. (Bubber) Tillman said he feels the court order "meant a whole new ball game."

Yancey said he doesn't think the order is retroactive but said the transfers must be done on a one to one basis.

"For every white leaving the system there must be a white student coming in. And the same thing for the black students," said the board attorney.

And according to the court order any primary age transfers accepted into the city system must attend Saffas-Mahone Elementary School.

"We can't upset the county's racial ratio and they can't upset ours with transfers," said Yancey.

Under the county's federal court order the schools were to maintain a 70 per cent white to 30 per cent Negro ratio. This past year there were 73 per cent white to 27 per cent Negro students in the system.

Some city school officials believe that the three per cent white increase is because Val-

dosta students have transferred either legally or illegally to the Lowndes County system.

There is about a 58 per cent white to about a 42 per cent Negro racial ratio estimated for the opening of the city schools Aug. 27.

Under the transfer agreement set up several years ago by the two school boards, county residents who want to attend city facilities must apply to the Lowndes County board. If the county board approves the request, it is sent to the city board for final approval.

The same rule applies for city students seeking to attend county schools. Either or both boards can turn down the trans-

fer requests.

The county school board at its last meeting refused to grant any more requests to the city until the Valdosta board makes a decision on the transfer problem.

City board members said at the end of the meeting it doesn't look as if new transfers will be approved this year.

The decision does not affect city or county students who want to attend a private facility, said Yancey.

There is also a court stipulation that children of teachers can follow the instructors into the system in which they are employed, said the board attorney.

City, County Committee To Eye Student Transfers

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

No decision has been made yet on the legality of student transfers from the city to the county schools but a committee composed of superintendents and Valdosta and Lowndes County Board of Education attorneys are to meet later this week to discuss the question.

Valdosta board chairman and attorney Reuben Yancey said he and Lowndes County board attorney Fred Walker will meet with the superintendents at the end of the week.

Both school boards have had requests for student transfers to and from their systems.

The county school board has been acting on the requests since they began coming in about four months ago. The city school board has held off on its applications so that all requests could be handled at the same time.

But interpretation of the federal court desegregation order for the city schools is posing a legal question to the board.

Some board members interpret the order to mean that transfers from the city system are not legal while others contend that crossovers are permitted.

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same rule applies for students seeking to attend city schools. Either or both can turn down the requests.

In the past the board was permissive about the transfer and allowed students to school lines for a variety of reasons.

Transportation used to be a main reason. The county has school buses while the city schools do not have transportation services. But transportation is no longer acceptable.

Board members from the city and county say the pressure to approve the requests from friends and business leaders is unbelievable.

The Lowndes County school board is under a federal court order to maintain about a 70 per cent Negro ratio in the schools. The ratio shifted last year as 73 per cent white and 27 per cent Negroes were in the schools.

School officials maintained that there was about a three per cent increase in white enrollment in the plants.

The city schools are under a federal court order to maintain about what they had last year with slight variations in the attendance zone lines to achieve more desegregation in predominantly white facilities.

There was about a 60 per cent white to 40 per cent Negro ratio in the city schools last year.

If the committee of superintendents and board attorneys

interpret the ruling to mean transfers are acceptable, the requests must then be acted individually by the two school boards.

Since the next regular meeting of the city school board is Aug. 10, there could be a called meeting to handle the transfer applications.

City Schools Are Getting Back To Cleaning Business

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta Board of Education is back in the cleaning business.

The board voted at a called meeting Monday afternoon to operate its own supervised cleaning program on a trial basis until Dec. 31.

If the schools are not cleaner by that time and the cleaning program is not found successful, the tidying up of the facilities is to be turned over to

Happy Bear here, voted the board.

The cleaning program was recommended by a board committee headed by Hulyn Smith and supported by school administrators.

Supt. Foster Goolsby told the board the principals have been told that if the cleaning program is tried the administrators must shoulder much of responsibility to see that the cleaning is done daily.

Board member I. H. (Bubber) Tillman Jr. voted against the move. Tillman said the school officials have enough problems without taking on the cleaning, too.

He pointed out the board doesn't carry workmen's compensation and can't without including teachers.

"We had the cleaning job one time and it didn't work. This year we had requests for maids. We gave them to the schools and some used them and some didn't. We don't know if we can get labor for this size program.

"I just feel our school people have got all the problems they need just handling the teaching of the students," said Tillman.

Board finance director Jack Kent said it will take about \$6,000 to buy supplies and some

equipment needed to clean the facilities.

"We plan to have a custodian at each school who will work under the supervision of a custodial supervisor. We'll also have part time workers come in from 4-8 p. m. each weekday," he said.

Kent said he has had several applications for the supervisor's job from ex-military personnel who have had experience in supervising cleaning.

"We're getting applications all along on the jobs that will be available. I think we will have a good job. We don't, we'll turn it over to Happy Bear," he said.

The schools have been serviced by Contract Cleaners for the past several years. Some board members have complained about the cleaning service of the company.

At the July board meeting Contract Cleaners and Happy Bear of Valdosta both entered bids for the 12-month cleaning services. Contract's bid was \$85,000 while Happy Bear's was \$89,882. The bids did not include the luncheon cleaning.

Kent proposed the board organize its own cleaning program at the July meeting. A committee was appointed to study the cleaning problem.

Suit Against City Schools Scheduled

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The suit against Valdosta school officials for dismissing a former student said mentally retarded is scheduled for the September term of federal court here.

City board of education attorney and chairman Reuben Yancey said it is his understanding that if the plaintiffs do not appear for the trial, the judge will not reschedule the case.

This is the second time the suit, filed by O'Hara Tucker Sr. against the city board and other school officials, has been put on the federal court docket.

The first time it was scheduled Tucker did not appear.

The board filed for application for a mental examination of the child but the Tuckers did not bring the youngster in for examination even after U. S. Middle District Court Judge W. A. Boothe of Macon ordered the tests.

Tucker contends his son has been denied his constitutional rights because of race and mental inaptitude. His request for a temporary injunction requiring the board to readmit his child, O'Neal O'Hara Tucker Jr., was denied by Boothe in May of 1970.

The judge refused to order the board and school officials to show cause why the injunction should not be made permanent.

Tucker's attorney H. E. Hill of Daytona Beach, Fla., appeared later at the trial set by Boothe but the family was not present.

Mrs. Tucker enrolled her son in the fall of 1968 in the first grade class she taught at the former Magnolia Elementary School here without going through the registration procedures at the facility.

Principal George Duckworth earlier told the school board at a meeting in January of 1970 that he observed the child on numerous occasions in the classroom.

He said he told Mrs. Tucker that the boy did not belong in a regular first grade group and asked her to withdraw him from the roll.

The principal said the recommendation to Mrs. Tucker that her son be tested for one of the special education classes on campus.

The teacher withdrew her child but did not refer him for testing.

The Tuckers approached Duckworth later that year about readmitting O'Neal and were refused.

The board backed Duckworth's decision to dismiss the child from the regular portion of the school.

Yancey said the Tucker family has since moved out of the state.

Valdosta Gets No. 1 Among Georgia Preps

By The Associated Press
The Valdosta Wildcats, always expected to play awesome football, bombed Thomasville, 49-0, last week and secured the No. 1 slot in Class AAA rankings by the Associated Press.

Lakeside of Atlanta, defending AAA champion, polled a distant second, and close behind as No. 3 contender after the first week of football was highly regarded Richmond Academy of Augusta.

Dykes of Atlanta, which routed Brown of Atlanta, 43-6, last week, polled No. 1 in Class AA. Statesboro edged powerful West Rome for the No. 2 position.

Roswell, which opens at Wills this weekend, captured the No. 1 post in Class A play. Carrollton and McEachern, both of whom won openers last week, tied for second in the rankings, and Lithonia nailed down the No. 3 slot.

In Class B football, Wrens just barely outpolled defending champion Lovett of Atlanta for No. 1 in the rankings. Wrens walloped Jenkins County, 56-0, in its opener last Friday night, while Lovett stopped Dacula, 27-0.

The high school rankings are compiled each week from the votes of a panel of sports-

writers and broadcasters from around the state.

Here's how the seven-man Associated Press panel of sportswriters and broadcasters ranked the teams around the state:

CLASS AAA

1. Valdosta, 2. Lakeside (Atlanta), 3. Richmond Academy (Augusta), 4. Warner Robins-Dalton (tie), 5. Macon Central-Benedictine (Savannah), 6. Kendrick (Columbus)-Marietta, 7. Baker (Columbus), 8. Columbia (Decatur), 9. Moultrie-Crisp County, 10. Clarke-Central (Athens).

CLASS AA

1. Dykes (Atlanta), 2. Statesboro, 3. West Rome, 4. Fitzgerald, 5. Gainesville, 6. North Fulton, 7. Marist (Atlanta), 8. Early County, 9. St. Pius (Atlanta), 10. Berrien County.

CLASS A

1. Roswell, 2. Carrollton-McEachern, 3. Lithonia, 4. Wilcox County, 5. Metter-Bradwell Institute (Hinesville), 6. Turner County, 7. Haralson County, 8. Irwin County-Putnam County-Warren County, 9. Jefferson County, 10. Coosa (Rome).

CLASS B

1. Wrens, 2. Lovett (Atlanta), 3. Pacelli (Columbus), 4. Savannah Country Day, 5. Atkinson County, 6. Southeast Bulloch, 7. Dade County-Valley Point (Dalton), 8. Eastbrook (Dalton), 9. Central-Carrollton, 10. Hapeville.

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Sports

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Vikes And 'Cats Headed For Camp

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Both the Lowndes Vikings and Valdosta Wildcats are to open their pre-season football camps on Monday.

Coach Wright Bazemore expects about 100 candidates to report when the 'Cats launch drills at the Lowndes County 4-H Club camp at Twin Lakes.

Coach Noel George is looking for about 80 LHS football hopefuls to report when the Vikings begin pre-season drills at Hahira Junior High in Hahira.

As in the past Valdosta's camp will be sponsored by the Valdosta Touchdown Club and the Lowndes camp will be sponsored by the Viking Athletic Club.

Both teams will spend the first week at camp working in shorts and concentrating on conditioning. In accordance with Georgia High School Association rules, they will don full pads and begin contact work on Monday, Aug. 23.

Lowndes' camp will last until Friday, Aug. 27. The 'Cats will close down their camp and return to town on the afternoon of Aug. 26. Classes at Valdosta High are to begin the following day.

While at camp both the Vikings and Wildcats will have two major practice sessions each day. Lowndes' sessions will begin at 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Both teams are members of Region 1-AAA and they will be launching their 1971 seasons on Friday, Sept. 3.

Valdosta's opener will be against the Thomasville Bulldogs at Thomasville. Lowndes will face the Thomasville Central Yellow Jackets, with that game to be played here at Martin Stadium, which is the Vikes' home field.

Cleveland Field Gets A New Look

Don't be surprised when you walk into Cleveland Field for the first time this season, because the Valdosta Touchdown Club has made some changes you won't be able to overlook. The first change you'll probably notice will be in the tickets. Every grandstand seat is to be reserved this season. Some are sold by the year, but all the rest are to be sold on a game-by-game basis.

Next, notice the gate printed on the ticket. A new admissions gate has been installed on the northeast corner of the stadium. Another on the southwest end, which has been kept closed, is to be opened, allowing entrances at all four corners.

The important part to remember is you must go through the gate printed on your ticket to get to your seat. New fences have been installed between the sections to prevent access from any other entrance.

Now that you're inside the walls, you'll notice the other changes. For one, there's a fresh coat of paint everywhere.

A new concession stand has been added on the northeast corner, a new band gate from the field to the stands. And if you'll look across the field you can see something else that wasn't there at the end of last season — grass.

Last year's physical education classes performed their annual task of replanting the field and the school maintenance department took over during the summer to make the field as green as ever.

Judging from the past, the plants won't be there long. So if you like grassy football fields, enjoy it while you can.



JULIAN MILLER

Baze Promises 'Exciting Season'

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Head coach Wright Bazemore has promised Valdosta High's football fans an "exciting season" without predicting what kind of record the 1971 Wildcats might have.

His "exciting season" remark came during a talk Tuesday night to members of the Valdosta Touchdown Club at the Lowndes County 4-H Club Camp at Twin Lakes. That's where the 'Cats are holding drills.

"On the basis of what we saw last spring and in the couple of days we've been in pads this week we feel that our offense will be stronger than our defense," Bazemore said. "From the fans' viewpoint it's going to be an exciting season. We know our opponents are going to score and we are hoping we're going to be able to do the same thing.

"We have 87 players in camp and they have great spirit and a lot of desire. They want to play football.

"Now I didn't say they were all talented and I didn't say they were all experienced. We return just seven regulars from out 1970 team (which had an 11-1 record) and so this is a rebuilding year for us. But we hope to surprise a few people.

"We have a tough schedule and we open out season (on Sept. 3) against Thomasville at Thomasville. That was one of the toughest teams we faced last fall and believe me they're going to be tough again. It will be a crucial game for us, a very crucial game."

Tuesday afternoon Bazemore put the 'Cats through a game-type scrimmage and rated the effort as just "so-so."

"We looked good at times and not so good at other times," the coach allowed. "Really, it's difficult to tell for sure about anything this early. It's too soon to start picking out who should be playing where.

"I'd say we should be able to throw the ball. We don't have the speed to get outside



-Times Staff Photo

It's Obvious VHS Assistant Coach Joe Mercer Is Unhappy With Practice

with our running game, so we'll have to try to make it work in other ways. Our kicking will be about average. As for defense, well, it's a big question mark right now."

The Wildcats' two-week football camp, as in the past, is being sponsored by the Touchdown Club. Bazemore, speaking for all the VHS coaches and players, thanked the organization "for your vital and much appreciated support. We simply couldn't do it without you dedicated and hard-working people." The 'Cats are to leave camp

and return to town on Thursday, since classes at Valdosta High are to begin Friday.

Bazemore has announced that at 8 p.m. Friday the Wildcats will stage a game-type scrimmage at Cleveland Field, their home stadium. The scrimmage will be open to the public.

As for the Touchdown Club, its president Bobby Green said the 1971 membership drive is now in full swing.

"We need to sign up as many members as possible," Green said. "Football camp expenses, like everything else these days, are high. So contact your friends and neighbors and get them to join. Our annual membership fee is a modest \$10. We want to show the 'Cats we're back of them all the way."



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Conversational Art

Marcia McRae, speech teacher at Valdosta High School, teaches conversational Spanish to a group of Hamilton County youngsters in the special summer session at White Springs, Fla. Billy Louaz, 8, is told

to think Spanish. Others in the group lesson are Sonya Tillman, 7, Patty McCathern, 8, Angela Robinson, 7, and Kerry Waldron, 7.

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Teacher Raise Appeal Is Planned

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER
Valdosta School Supt. Foster Goolsby told 289 teachers Wednesday in a systemwide meeting that everything is being done both on the state and national levels to free instructors from a wage freeze.
Goolsby said he is in contact with state and national officials who are working on the situation which has caught thousands of teachers as early as February.
"I don't know why should be treated differently on the other side of the scale," he said.
The Georgia Association of last spring.

One disgruntled city school teacher said "When I signed my contract last spring, I would receive credit for my last year's teaching experience. Now I'm told I won't be for my last year's teaching experience. Now I'm told I won't be for my last year's teaching experience."
Goolsby said he used for no other purpose, "I don't want that kind of efficiency. When you buy a new car that doesn't run and can't be repaired and utilities spew like that," he said.

Educators (GAE) plans to go to the Cost of Living Council in Washington, D. C. with a plea for 34,000 Georgia educators seeking a 2.1 million year for my last year's teaching experience. Now I'm told I won't be for my last year's teaching experience."
GAE Executive Secretary Dr. Carl V. Hodges says he has contacted the state and local boards of education and every school superintendent in Georgia requesting that all funds be allocated for annual increments for teachers be held in these accounts.
"The GEA is adamant that full accountability of these funds be made. We intend to call upon everyone to look for teacher benefits and teaching welfare. These funds should be held in an escrow account to working this year on the ac-

demographic program for the new comprehensive VHS go on and on, I don't want that kind of efficiency. When you buy a new car that doesn't run and can't be repaired and utilities spew like that," he said.

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'Cats Return Few Regulars

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

There will be a lot of new faces in the Valdosta High Wildcats' starting lineup when they open their 1971 football season, but any other prediction about the team right now has to be classified as a guess.

The 'Cats, with 87 candidates in the fold, opened their pre-season practice camp at the Lowndes 4-H Club Camp at Twin Lakes on Monday. The camp, which will last two weeks, is again being sponsored by the Valdosta Touchdown Club.

Here's the situation:

Coach Wright Bazemore, who is getting ready to start his 27th campaign as the 'Cats grid boss, can almost count the number of returning regulars on the fingers of one hand.

Last fall, while Valdosta was posting an 11-1 record, a total of 28 players saw enough front line duty to be classified as regulars. Of that group 21 have departed and only seven are still in the fold.

Among the missing are:

Offense — End Roger Rome guards Wayne Simpson, Melvin Herron, Joe Tillman and Joshua Mabry, center Robert Dewar and halfbacks Dan Johnson, Charles Daniels, Willie Anderson and Jimmy LeFiles.

Defense — ends Kim Marshall and Mike Griffin, tackles Vance Quillin and Ralph Hendry, middle guard Mike Everson, linebackers Robert Savage, Herman Godfrey, Curt Bazemore and John Bell and deep backs John Hampton and Curtis Lee.

The seven returnees include four with offensive experience and three who saw a lot of duty on defense.

The go-team regulars available for duty include quarterback Stanley Bounds (170, sr.), tackles Paul Demersman (210, sr.) and Steve St.

aland (220, sr.) and end Stanford Rome (190, soph.).

Defensive returnees are end George Rountree (175, jr.), linebacker Robert Daniels (190, soph.) and deep back Gary Rowe (180, jr.).

"We're always hopeful before a new season, but because we have so few experienced players we aren't sure of anything this time," Bazemore said. "A lot of inexperienced players are going to have to come through at a lot of positions if we are to attain any degree of success."

One thing the 'Cats do have going for them is a quarterback with proven ability and it's not hard to figure that they will be pinning much of their offensive hopes on the strong and accurate passing arm of Stanly Bounds.

During 10 regular season games in 1970 Bounds hit on 107 of 186 passes for 1,775 yards and 15 touchdowns. On 43 car-

ries he made 186 yards along the ground. That gave him 1,939 yards in total offense. Both his passing and total offense marks were new Region 1-AAA records.

But even with a "pitcher" like Bounds available for duty, there are still some questions to be answered about the 'Cats' air game because there is a lack of experienced receivers.

Last fall his four favorite targets were Dan Johnson (36 catches for 667 yards), Stanford Rome (30-527), Roger Rome (32-419) and Charles Daniels (15-307). All have departed except Stanford Rome.

As for the Wildcats' running game, it's got to be virtually a new deal in the backfield this next time out. The leading rushers in 1970 were Willie Anderson (72-434), Charles Daniels (100-352) and Johnson (22-172), and none are returning.

The 'Cats are working in shorts and concentrating on

conditioning this week. In ac-

New Orleans acquired a linebacker and a wide receiver in a pair of trades. The Saints got linebacker Carl Cunningham from Denver in a deal for quarterback Jim Ward, then swapped cornerback Gene Heard and defensive tackle Clovis Swinney for wide receiver Charlie Williams and an undisclosed draft choice.

Quarterback Dennis Dummit, who set 15 school records at UCLA under Coach Tommy Prothro, was placed on waivers by the Los Angeles Rams Monday — by Coach Tom Prothro.

Dummit, signed by Prothro as a free agent after all NFL clubs passed him by in the draft, completed only one of seven passes in an exhibition game against the Cleveland Browns Friday night.

Wildcats Hope To Get Answers

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Head coach Wright Bazemore has a lot of questions about his 1971 Valdosta High football Wildcats and he hopes to start getting some answers on Monday.

It's Monday that the 'Cats will don full equipment and begin contact work for the first time as they prepare for their Sept. 3 season opener against the Thomasville Bulldogs at Thomasville.

Monday will also mark the start of Valdosta's second and final week of football camp. For the past five days they've been drilling at the Lowndes County 4-H Club Camp at Twin Lakes in shorts. The camp, as in the past, is being sponsored by the Valdosta Touchdown Club.

Actually, the 'Cats will close down their camp and return to town on Thursday. Classes at VHS are to begin on Friday. Last season Valdosta posted an 11-1 record, won the Region 1-AAA crown for the third year in a row and reached the semifinals of the state Class AAA playoffs before dropping an 18-14 decision to Richmond Academy at Augusta.

Bazemore has a lot of questions about his team's 1971 prospects because only seven of the 28 players who were regular performers last season are still in the fold. This means VHS will field one of its least experienced teams in several years. "We certainly benefited from the week of practice in shorts," Bazemore said. "We used the time to concentrate on conditioning. But it's hard to really tell about individual players and the squad as a whole until we begin knock-

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ing heads.

"We saw some things in spring practice which pleased us and we saw some other things which means we're going to have problems. What we've got to do is eliminate as many problems as we can and we haven't got much time to do the job.

"Our first game is less than two weeks off. And the team we play is Thomasville in Thomasville. It's going to be a tough game, an extremely tough game. We've certainly got our work cut out for us."

The 'Cats are scheduled to hold a game-type intra-squad scrimmage Tuesday at 4 p.m. Then a supper for Touchdown Club members and prospective members is slated for 7:30 p.m. Helping Bazemore put 'Cats' 87-man squad through drill

paces are assistant coaches Charlie Greene, Joe Wilson, Jack Rudolph, Julian LeFiles, Edward Jones and Joe Mercer. They and Bazemore are working with a group made up of 17 seniors, 30 juniors, 36 sophomores and four freshmen.

VHS' 1971 slate follows:
Sept. 3, Thomasville, away;
Sept. 10, Dougherty (Albany), home;
Sept. 17, Crisp County (Cordele), home; Sept. 24, Bainbridge (home), Oct. 1, Albany, away; Oct. 8, open date; Oct. 15, Moultrie, home; Oct. 23 (Saturday), Monroe (Albany),

away; Oct. 29, Westover (Albany), home; Nov. 5, Tift County (Tifton), away; Nov. 12, Lowndes, away.

The 'Cats' roster follows:

ENDS—Scott Griffin (185, sr.), George Rountree (175, jr.), Jimmy Sengars (165, jr.), David Berrien (170, jr.), Archie Lewis (150, jr.), Luther Blue (170, jr.), Stanford Rome (190, soph.), Richard Maxwell (170, soph.), Bruce Hilton (160, soph.), Danny Adams (155, soph.), David Williams, (135, soph.), James Berrien (150, soph.), Joe Laddow (145, soph.), Arthur Cooper (155, soph.), Tony Walter (150, soph.), Jerome Houle (145, soph.), Zolie Cobb (165, fresh).

TACKLES — Paul Demersman (210, sr.), Mike Cutchins (170, sr.), Swinton Griffith (170, jr.), Freddy Welton (250, jr.), Gary Inby (200, jr.), Bobby Bryant (200, jr.), Bernard Morehead (250, jr.), Wade Johnson (200, jr.), Emory Williams (170, jr.), David Mitchell (250, sr.), Loren Dodson (170, soph.), Nor-

man Hankins — Calvin Lester (175, sr.), GULARDS — Calvin Lester (175, sr.), Robert Joseph (175, sr.), Lewis Goodin (150, sr.), Sidney Barnett (190, sr.), David Register (200, jr.), Ronald Daniels (190, jr.), Joe Nlyem (150, jr.), G. R. E. Nowell (150, jr.), Freddie Ryzals (150, jr.), Randy Binford (160, jr.), Charles Christian (175, soph.), Steve Sellers (145, soph.), Dub Franklin (160, soph.), Arthur Massey (170, soph.).

CENTERS — Steve Stanaaland (220, sr.), Paul Love (175, sr.), John Grant (135, soph.).

QUARTERBACKS — Stanley Bounds (175, sr.), Dick Parker (170, sr.), Johnny Sandberry (165, jr.), Bruce Edwards (160, jr.), Larry Houle (145, soph.), Rick Peterson (160, soph.), Robert Demers (160, fresh).

HALFBACKS — Jim Clarkson (180, sr.), Edwin Pompey (185, sr.), Alvin Payne (170, sr.), O.D. Neiter (170, sr.), Clifford Bradley (150, sr.), Gary Rowe (180, jr.), James Savage (175, jr.), Larry Lane (160, jr.), Roger Rountree (165, jr.), Gary Hutchins (155, jr.), Edwin Brown (145, jr.), Mike Garner (150, jr.), Joe Brown (180, jr.), Robert Daniels (190, soph.), Jack Sullivan (165, soph.), Galtin George (175, soph.), Ricky Meats (150, soph.), Cedric Wilson (135, soph.), Alford Bea (135, soph.), Herschel Sheffield (135, soph.), Robert Marker (150, soph.), Robert Morrison (160, soph.), Tony King (150, soph.), Wayne Corbett (160, soph.), Calvin Johnson (160, soph.), Larry Richardson (150, soph.), Greg Doy (150, fresh).

FULLBACKS — Robert McCaskill (185, sr.), Pat O'Neal (185, jr.), David Whitefield (135, soph.), Nathan Neeters (170, soph.), John Bellamy (175, fresh).

