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Business Opportunities — 56

DESIRABLE location for grocery store and filling station in country on busy highway. Call CH 2-7410.

HOMES AND DRIVE-IN RESTAURANT. PRICE REDUCED, OWNER LEAVING. NEW STORES — North Ashley Shopping Center, only two stores left, suitable for hardware, jewelry, variety, children's shop, barber shop and beauty parlor. For lease, reasonable rent.

STORE BUILDING FOR SALE — Magnolia street, priced to sell, suitable for grocery, garden supply or hardware.

ED LEONARD—MAJOR USAF (Ret.) CH 4-1922-NH CH 4-1938

M. E. THOMPSON REALTOR

★ SALES ★ RENTALS ★ LOANS ★ APPRAISALS

ATTRACTIVE proposition to go in business, will take money to own property and business. Should appeal to retired military people. See Maxwell Oliver or C. W. Hancock at American Oil. CH 2-7860.

House Trailers — 58

WOULD LIKE to trade equity in 2 bedroom mobile home for furniture or anything of value. CH 4-1202.

BUDDY'S TRAILER SALES New and used mobile homes. Will trade for anything of value. Bemiss Road. CH 2-1741

MEL RICKS MOBILE HOMES New and Used. Moody Field Rd. CH 2-4455

New & Used Trucks — 60

FOR SALE

1958 F600 FORD ten wheel truck. 1959 F450 GMC Ten wheel truck. 1959 F375 GMC ten wheel truck. 1957 450 GMC ten wheel truck. 1959 370 GMC single axle truck with flat dump body. 1957 INTERNATIONAL DCO 205 diesel truck tractor. 1958 INTERNATIONAL DCO 205 diesel truck tractor. 1959 KINGHAM 38' tandem aluminum van.

NICHOLS BUILDERS

SUPPLY

417 S. Patterson CH 4-1475

New, Used Cars — 61

WILL TRADE 1959 Hillman station wagon for pickup or sell \$50.00 down. Phone 2-21831

1954 OLDS '88", 4 door sedan, automatic trans., radio, heater, \$205. CH 2-3895, 8 am to 6 pm.

1960 PONTIAC, 2 dr., H-T, 348 h. p. engine, floor shift, radio and heater, w/w pos. traction. Call CH 2-2484.

AUTOMOBILES — HOUSES — rentals — help wanted—special notices, stoves, refrigerators, heaters, all kinds of products and services are listed in these columns. This is the place to look when you want to buy. This FIND WHAT you want — when you want it—look first in South Georgia's most dependable and up-to-date buyers' guide — the Classified columns of the Valdosta Times.

DIRECT over 30,000 customers to your business by inserting complete information about your products or services in the Classified columns.

South Georgia Almanac

What It's Doing

FOR VALDOSTA

High Temp. Yesterday — 55
Low Temp. Last Night — 25
Temp. at Noon — 42
Rainfall — None
Rel. Humidity — 48%
Barometer — 30.36
Wind Direction — NE
Wind Velocity — 8 mph

Forecasts

GEORGIA: Clear and continued rather cold today and tonight, Thursday fair and warmer, high today 40 to 46 north and 46 to 54 south, low tonight 22 to 26 north and 26 to 32 south.

Sun, Moon, Stars

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 7

Sunset today — 6:14 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow — 7:20 a.m.
Moonset tonight — 9:29 p.m.
First Quarter — Sunday.

PROMINENT STARS

Alphard, in the southeast at 10:34 p.m.
Denebola, in the east at 10:56 p.m.
Regulus, between Alphard and Denebola, a bit nearer Alphard and much brighter than either.

Elsewhere

THE WEATHER ELSEWHERE BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Albany, clear	34	4
Albuquerque, cloudy	59	32
Atlanta, cloudy	40	18
Bismarck, snow	15	-1
Boise, cloudy	27	12
Boston, clear	46	10
Butte, clear	19	4
Chicago, cloudy	19	-1
Cleveland, clear	18	-12
Denver, cloudy	37	29
Fort Worth, clear	5	0
Houston, clear	17	4
Indianapolis, cloudy	16	3
Jackson, clear	33	22
Kansas City, clear	24	20
Los Angeles, cloudy	59	52
Louisville, clear	35	23
Memphis, clear	35	23
Miami, cloudy	82	60
Milwaukee, clear	5	-4
Minneapolis, clear	2	-1
New Orleans, cloudy	51	36
New York, clear	45	14
Oklahoma City, cloudy	41	28
Omaha, clear	16	12
Philadelphia, clear	41	11
Phoenix, cloudy	73	44
Portland, Me., clear	40	1
Portland, Ore., cloudy	45	38
Rapid City, cloudy	35	16
Richmond, cloudy	16	16
St. Louis, clear	22	11
Salt Lake City, rain	29	23
San Diego, clear	63	55
San Francisco, rain	57	51
Seattle, rain	49	43
Tampa, cloudy	72	44
Washington, clear	44	12

St. Marks Tide

FEB.	High	Low	High	Low
8	4:13am	10:38am	4:39pm	11:01pm
9	5:04am	11:16am	5:34pm	11:54pm
10	6:03am	11:54am	6:12pm	—pm
11	7:18am	12:57am	6:58pm	12:37pm

Market Reports

Wall Street Report

NEW YORK (AP)—Some chemical blue chips continued to advance in a mixed stock market early today. Trading was active. Gains and losses of most key stocks were narrow.

Union Carbide was up about 2 points in a continued recovery drive. Eastman Kodak added more than a point. Du Pont, a 5-point gainer Tuesday, added another fraction.

TXL oil, still responding to news that Texaco plans to take it over and liquidate it, with a premium going to TXL shareholders, rose 3/4 to 30 1/2 on 10,000 shares.

Biggest opening block was 23-100 shares of Electrical & Musical Industries, up 3/4 to 6.

Autos were mixed, with General Motors (ex dividend) up a fraction and Ford a shade lower. Steels were unchanged to a bit higher. Aircrafts, nonferrous metals, tobaccos and electrical equipments were uneven.

Opening blocks included: GM, up 1/4 at 56 on 5,700 shares; Royal Dutch, up 3/4 at 35 3/4 on 3,500; and Eastman Kodak, up 3/4 at 107 on 1,200.

T'ville Livestock

THOMASVILLE, Ga. (AP)—Hog receipts 4,900 at Albany, Columbus, Moultrie, Thomasville, Ga.; Dothan, Ala.; Jacksonville, Florida.

Steady. Few sales U.S. 1 and 1-2 barrows and gilts 150-230 lbs 16.75-17.00, instances No 1 17.25. No 1-3, mostly 2-3, 180-240 lbs 16.00-16.25, some sales uniform 1-3 lots 16.50. No. 1-2 160-180 lbs and 2-3 240-270 lbs 15.25-16.00. Sows 11.75-13.75, few up to 14.25.

Fallout Shelter Booklet On Way

WASHINGTON (AP)—A 30-page booklet telling how to build home fallout shelters ranging from \$75 to \$650 is on its way to the American public.

Five million copies are being sent to local and state Civil Defense offices, Defense Department officials said in unveiling the booklet. Anyone can get one free by asking for it.

Some Answers To Questions Of Children Dental Health

EDITOR'S NOTE — This is the first of three articles dealing with dental health for children. The following was prepared by Dr. Albert Sneed of the Lowndes county Dental Society.

(Q) When should my child be taken to the dentist for the first time?

(A) As soon as he has all of his primary teeth, between the ages of 2 1/2 and 3. On this first visit the child has a chance to become acquainted with the dentist, his office and his equipment. Usually the dentist will clean and x-ray the child's teeth. Since half of all 2-year-olds have one or more decayed teeth, it may also be necessary for the dentist to restore a tooth. The dentist will suggest how often the child should return for subsequent check-ups.

(Q) Why should my child's baby teeth be taken care of? He'll lose them anyhow.

(A) One reason is that a child's first teeth are not really "baby" teeth, since some of them remain in his mouth until he is 11 or 12 years old. At least they will if his teeth are properly taken care of. Primary teeth are needed for exactly the same reasons permanent teeth are needed — for chewing, for appearance and for speaking. In addition, the primary teeth hold the spaces for the permanent teeth.

(Q) My 8-year-old is going to have to have a molar removed. My nephew had a space maintainer put in when he lost a back tooth. Will my daughter need a space maintainer too?

(A) Yes, a space maintainer should be inserted when a primary molar is lost prematurely. One of the functions of the first teeth is to hold the space for the permanent teeth. If a molar is lost prematurely and not replaced with a space maintainer, the other teeth drift into the empty space. Then there is not suf-

TV Channel Reassigned

WASHINGTON (AP)—Ultrahigh television frequency channel 25 has been reassigned from Dalton, Ga., to Huntsville, Ala. The Federal Communications Commission acted Tuesday after Dalton failed to make use of its assignment.

MARTIN
PH. CH. 2-3995
TONIGHT AND THURSDAY Shows 7:00-9:00
SHOCKER! SHOCKER! SHOCKER!
KIRK DOUGLAS
TOWN WITHOUT PITY

DOSTA
Phone CH. 2-3055
TODAY & THURSDAY
Murder on **DEATH TIDE**
Plus 2nd Big Feature **"Shark River"**
In Color Steve Cochran

RITZ DIAL CHA 2222
STARTING TOMORROW
Features Start At 2:00—4:25—7:05—9:15
A ROSS HUNTER PRODUCTION IN ASSOCIATION WITH JOSEPH FIELDS
RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN'S
FABULOUS BROADWAY MUSICAL LOVE STORY NOW JOYOUSLY LIGHTS UP THE SCREEN!

FLOWER DRUM SONG
IN COLOR — LENSED BY PANAVISION
STARRING
NANCY KWAN
Star of 'SUZIE WONG'
JAMES SHIGETA
JUANITA HALL · JACK SOO · BENSON FONG
and **MIYOSHI UMEKI**

HURRY! Last Times Today
Columbia pictures presents
WAGNER · HART · JONES · AVALON · KOVACS · THE CAPTAIN
SAIL A CROOKED SHIP
A PHILIP BARRY PRODUCTION

SKY-WAY
Drive-In
Moody Air Force Base Road
7:15 AND 9:20
BOONE · HAMILTON
LUBIA · ARTHUR
PATTEN · O'CONNELL
A THUNDER OF DRUMS
IN METROCOLOR

Sousclub
CONCESSION STAND

Cotton
NEW YORK (AP) — Cotton futures opened today with no actual trades registered.

Mar	34.03B	34.02B
May	34.65	34.63B
Jul	34.88B	34.88B
Oct	34.37	34.26B
Dec	34.47B	34.45B
Mar	34.78B	34.75B
May	34.90B	34.88B
Jul	34.55B	34.45A

A—Asked; B—Bid.

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The cotton market opened unchanged to 15 cents a bale lower here today.

Mar	34.13B	34.12B
May	34.75B	34.73B
Jul	34.98B	34.98B
Oct	34.02B	34.01B
Dec	34.52B	34.50B
Mar	34.83B	34.81B
May	34.95B	34.93B
Jul	34.60B	34.60B

B—Bid.

Poultry
ATLANTA (AP)—Georgia live poultry market unchanged pricewise, at farm quotations on broilers and fryers 16-17.

Produce
ATLANTA (AP)—Produce trading fair, receipts light to moderate. Georgia sweet potatoes unchanged at 4.00-4.50 per bushel basket. Florida fifty pound bags of round type cabbage 2.00-2.25. Turnip greens from Georgia 1.75-2.00 bushel, mustard 1.50-1.75 few 2.00, collards about steady at 1.25-2.00 per dozen bushels sold mostly 1.25. Bunched turnips fair to best were 1.75-2.50 dozen, baskets of leaf lettuce 2.00-2.50. Florida snap beans 3.40-3.75 and poles 4.25-4.75. Good quality Georgia green onions mostly 90-1.00 dozen.

Arnold Palmer, Mike Souchak and Sam Sneed each won a 72-hole golf tournament by a seven-stroke margin in 1961.

Billy Rowe is a senior, second year D. E. student and president of the Valdosta D. E. Club. Billy has shown his leadership ability in working with the boys at the club and has carried the many duties of the president of this club in a manner that reflects credit upon his ability as a leader.

Billy hopes to follow boys' Club work such as Bud Cody, alumni of '57 who now is program director of the Witcha Falls Boys' Club in Texas.

Billy has worked with the boys in the craft, athletic, and program departments as well as duties behind the desk.

VALDOSTA BOYS CLUB

Eva Ladrow, a first year D. E. student and senior at V.H.S. is employed at the Valdosta Daily Times. Eva serves as a switchboard operator at the Times. She is quite active in D. E. Club work serving in the office of Historian and as chairman of the Activities Manual. Eva has participated in many of the civic projects of the club.



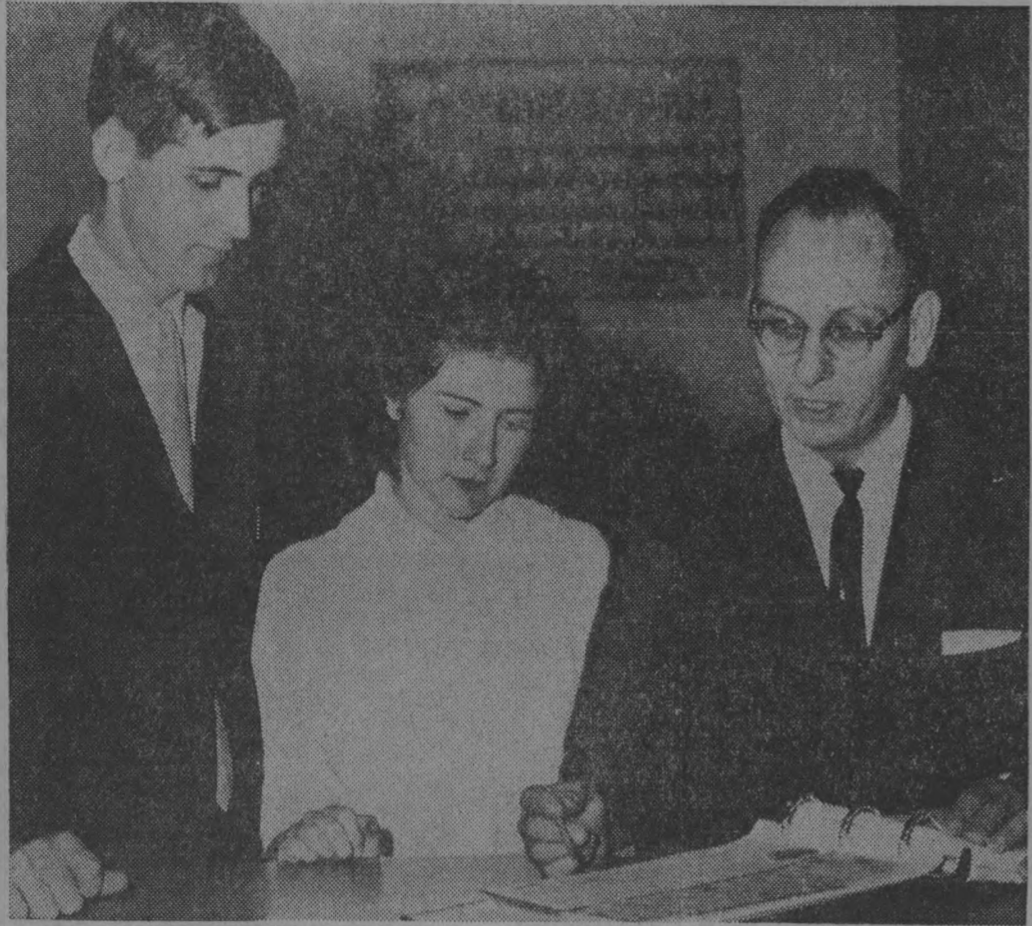
Charlene Wayne (center), a senior and second year D. E. student is employed at the C & S Bank. Charlene has been an active member of the club by taking part in the many projects and activities carried out each year. This year she is chairman of the assembly program.

She has worked in the credit department and is now working in bookkeeping which requires working up new accounts and changes of old ones, filing checks and deposits and listing checks.

Charlene is only one of a number of D. E. students who have found that the C & S Bank offers them the opportunity they desire in a career. Alumni include: Carolyn Wood, '59, and Betty Lou Redding, Marsha Higginbotham, '61' and Catherine Stewart and Nancy Parker, class of '60.

The CITIZENS & SOUTHERN NATIONAL BANK
115-117 W. Hill Ave. - 1200 N. Patterson St.
Telephone CHerry 2-6120

The Valdosta Daily Times



Final Ad Layouts Get Check

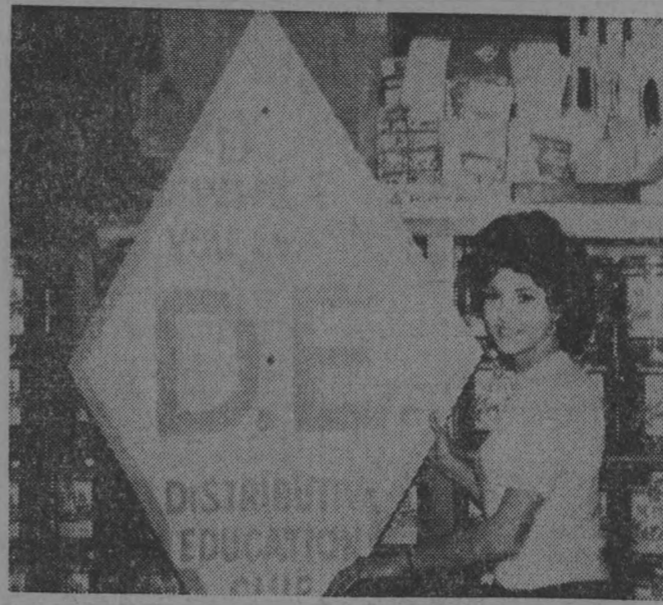
Final plans go into effect for advertising on DE Day as Roy Hunton points out possible layouts in the newspaper to Billy Rowe and Elaine Alligood.

Ex-Students Hail Program For Chance

DE is still giving Valdosta High School graduates advantages after they graduate. The following statements are made by former DE students.

"The three years I was associated with the DE program were the most rewarding and most satisfying years of my life. DE actually opened the door for me and helped me put the right foot forward in pursuing a future in the retail and distribution field. A field that offers unlimited opportunities and ways to succeed. While in DE, I learned the basic foundation of our American economy and the important part retailing and distribution plays in helping our country grow. I found a future that I could begin molding my life around and start developing my abilities to do a better job. I believe that out of all the courses I took in high school, DE has helped me more than any other." Norman Greene, past president, Georgia DECA.

Charles Blanton, Goodyear Service Store says, "I will always be thankful of the classes I had with DE. It is different from most subjects in high school. You get a foundation in the class room and 'on the job training' after school. If not able to go to col-



Promotion Part Of Project

Martha Ryan displays a newly completed sign for the DE Club as a part of the promotion project carried out by students of the club. The project is a part of the big celebration by the club this week.

lege after high school, there could never be a better foundation for the business world than DE."

A 1955 VHS graduate says this: "The DE program at Valdosta to me is one of the finest in the state. If it had not been for my two years in DE, I am afraid I

would not be where I am today. I have become manager of a store and I also trim windows besides the selling phase of the store."

He trained in a clothing store and later became manager when his employer branched out and established another store.

Club Is For The Earnest, But There's A Lighter Side

The Valdosta High DE Club turns out future business men and women of earnest, but there is a lighter side to its activities.

There is social life, fund raising, recognition for other school clubs, and gay honors among themselves.

Among the social affairs are a hay ride to Saddlebags, a semi-formal Christmas party at one of the student's home, and the upcoming employer-employee banquet at the Valdosta Country Club.

In the category of bestowing self honors, the club picks "top students."

These include the Most Likely to Succeed, Most Popular Couple, Most Ambitious, Best Couple, Best Figure and Physique, Most Courteous, Wittiest, Best Dancers, Best Dress, and Most Intelligent. But the club doesn't reserve all the honors for itself.

It sponsors a contest each year to select the most outstanding club at Valdosta High School. The DE Club then cites its fellow organization for a job well done.

In addition, the DE Club com-

plies and distributes a student directory each year.

One of the latest projects is based on the success of the Wildcat football team.

It is selling yellow and black auto tags to Valdostans who want to boost the Wildcats were the 1961 State AAA football champs. And the club doesn't wait for someone to hand it the annual banquet.

It holds barbecues during the year in order to raise funds to finance the employer-employee affair.

OLD COLLEGE TRY

BOSTON (AP) — Emerson College professor Haig Der Marderosian is dieting — at a \$100 a pound.

The money—contributed by students and alumni for every pound lost—is going to the college fund.

The professor's goal is 100 pounds. He's lost 75 since Nov. 1 when he weighed 342 1/2 pounds.

"Fat came off in layers when I started," the professor says. "It's like chipping granite block now. But I hope to make it eventually."



Jean Connell, a senior and first year student is employed by Mixer Electric Co. where she trains as a receptionist. She keeps books, answers the phone for incoming orders, sells supplies of this concern. Mrs. Burke Mixer is her supervisor.

Jean has participated in the float committee, worked at the barbecues and other projects carried out by the club.

MIXER ELECTRIC CO.



Two D.E. juniors, Linda Faye Hancock and Gail Griffin are employed at Barnes Drugs where they are engaged in fountain work, cosmetics, toiletries, stock work and display. Linda is top salesman in the barbecue project while Gail is on the Activities manual committee.



Joyce Winsor, a senior and second year student continues work at Barnes Drugs in the New Brookwood Plaza Shopping Center after training at Barnes Drugs on South Patterson. Joyce will handle the many varied articles of a drugstore as sales lady, cashier and merchandise display person.

BARNES DRUG STORES



Larry Price is a senior and first year D. E. student. Larry is Parliamentarian of the local club and has served on numerous committees. He was chairman of the float committee, served on socials as well as other projects of the club.

He is employed at Price's Cabinet Shop by James B. Price. Larry participated in service, delivery, working in the office, selling and stock work on his job.

PRICE'S CABINET SHOP
633 East Gordon Street



Elaine Alligood, Club reporter has one of the most important jobs in the club in that she is responsible for news media to the local papers, school paper, state club paper and national DECA magazine.

She has also been quite active in the civic and promotion projects of the club. Elaine, a second year D. E. student is employed by the Valdosta Board of Education and serves as secretary to Walter Harrison, Adult Education Director.

VALDOSTA BOARD OF EDUCATION



Jeanette Moore, a senior and first year D. E. student is employed at Southwell Motor Co. under the supervision of Mr. Gordon Southwell. Jeanette trains in credit work, checking invoices and serves as receptionist.

She is quite active in D. E. Club work having had the responsibility of publishing the Valdosta High Student Directory.

SOUTHWELL MOTOR CO.



Joy Ratigan, V.H.S. junior and first year D. E. student is training at the Girls Club. She has many duties in this work which range from charm classes to sewing, cooking and recreational activities for the Girls Club members.

Joy as a D. E. member has taken part in most of the projects carried out by the club, having entered the district Sales Demonstration contest and plans to run for the state office of Secretary in D. E. She has served as secretary in the F.H.A. club.

VALDOSTA GIRLS CLUB

Mrs. McCoy Makes History As 2 'Firsts'

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is another in a series of profile sketches of candidates for city council in the Feb. 12 general election.

By TIMES STAFF WRITER
When Mrs. Gretchen McCoy entered the race for city council in the Feb. 12 general election she was making history as two "firsts."

First, she is one of six candidates running under the banner of the Republican party which for the first time in Valdosta's history is offering a slate for city council.

Second, Mrs. McCoy is the first woman in the city's modern history to offer for a seat on what has been an all-male, all-Democratic council.

The mother of four school-age children, she contends she is qualified because women should be represented on city council. Women, she says, think differently than men and will have uppermost in their minds the cultural, educational and recreational benefits for the children of Valdosta.

A native Georgian, Mrs. McCoy is the wife of Shealy McCoy, comptroller at Valdosta State College. She is a teacher by profession, having taught for two years at Echols County High School. She currently is a kindergarten teacher at the Christ Episcopal Church.

In addition to her teaching experience, Mrs. McCoy was employed at the West Point Banking Co. at West Point, Ga., before her marriage.



MRS. GRETCHEN MCCOY
Two Firsts

fore her marriage. While her husband was serving overseas in the armed services, she was employed at the Valdosta Post Office.

She teaches the Young Married Couples' Sunday School class at the Lee Street Baptist Church.

Mrs. McCoy has been president of the Sallas - Mahone PTA and president of the Book Review Club here. She has been active in Girl Scout work and has taken an active interest in the youth activities at the college and serves as faculty advisor to the Alpha Delta Pi Sorority.

'WHAT ABOUT OX?'

Put Mule On Capitol Lawn, S. Ga. Legislator Suggests

ATLANTA (AP)—A veteran south Georgia legislator wants the state to place a statue of a mule on the Capitol lawn "so that future generations will be able to view the mode of travel and motive power of their forebearers."

A resolution seeking such a statue was introduced in the House Tuesday by William Kimmons, 72-year-old representative from Pierce County.

Kimmons, who gained fame at the last session of the General Assembly as "the last of the wool hat boys," said in his resolution that, "In this jet age and with the talk of travel to the moon and other planets being every day conversation, it is only right that we make this contribution to the memory of the Georgia mule (which) was the prime motive power and played a large part in the economy of the state for many, many years."

Rep. Louis T. Raulerson of Echols entered into the spirit of the measure by asking, "What about the ox?"
"It's too late for him," said Kimmons. "He's done gone."

Rep. Bob Andrews of Hall wanted to amend the resolution to keep visitors from scrawling messages on "certain parts of the mule" and Rep. A. B. C. Dorminy wryly suggested that although the mule might be extinct in some places it is still very much in evidence in the Georgia Legislature.

The proposed resolution was sent to the House Rules Committee.

Chorus Back From Tour

The chorus of Georgia Christian School has returned this week from a tour of the South Florida area where they made several appearances.

Concerts were given in Miami, West Palm Beach, and in Fort Pierce.

The Girls' Trio composed of Munda Greene, Susan Weber, and Judy Williams sang "Old Joe Clark," "Keep An Eye on Me," and "Deacon Jones."

Ronnie Small, Jimmy Green, Dwayne Clark, and Charles Copeland who make up the Boys' Quartet sang "Froggie Went A' Courtin'," "Yellow Bird," and "Who Dat a Callin'".
The Ensemble sang "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley." Students in this group are Marcia Moulton, Munda Greene, Janice Holt, Judy Williams, Dwayne Clark, Richard Keele, Butch Kent, Don Greene, and Jimmy Green.

The 37 members of the chorus are under the direction of Miss Charlotte Smith.

The chorus can be heard on Sunday mornings over radio stations WGOV and WJEM.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

AT PINEVIEW GENERAL ADMISSIONS

James H. Wright, Deborah Harper, James R. Parker, Donna Fletcher, Leisha Pierce, Mrs. William L. Dinkins, Franklin D. Hamby, Mrs. Carleton H. Mott, Mrs. Charles E. Jolly, Mrs. W. F. Johnson, Mrs. DeAlva Youles, Emory F. Cook Sr., Mrs. John C. Price, Mrs. Robert E. Patrick, Mrs. Ed J. McCracken, Ada Strickland, Oscar Wiseman Jr.

DISCHARGES

Mrs. Raymond C. Radney, Tony R. Hamm, Carolyn Campbell, Paul R. Kirkland, William T. Lee, Glenn L. Copeland, John W. North, Charles A. Hodges, Mrs. Earl S. Bowdoin, Loran A. Dowling, Mrs. Washington F. Long, Mrs. Ida Myers, Don A. Lyons, Glorene Miller, Mary Murphy, Emma Donaldson.

CENTRAL PTA MEET

The Central Elementary Parent-Teacher Assn. will meet Thursday at 8 p. m. in the school lunchroom. The Rev. John Cleland, pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, will be the guest speaker. Prior to the meeting, parents will visit their children's rooms between 7:30 and 8 p. m.

MAJORING IN GIRLS?

BUFFALO, N. Y. (AP)—Heard in a theater lobby as a proud father reported on the progress of his undergraduate son: "He's taking an exhilarated course."

No Clemency Seen Likely For Powers

MILLEDGEVILLE, Ga. (AP)—Mrs. Francis Gary Powers, wife of the U2 pilot imprisoned by the Russians, says the Russians have taken away any hope that her husband's 10-year sentence for espionage will be reduced.

Mrs. Powers said she received a letter from her husband that expressed despondency over word from Soviet officials that the seriousness of his crime prevented consideration of clemency or parole.

Powers is serving a three year prison term that is to be followed by seven years in a work camp. He was captured by the Russians on May 1, 1960 and tried in August of that year.

Mrs. Powers said she has applied for a visa and plans to spend two months in Russia this summer. But she said she has not been given any indication she will get to see her husband.

Mrs. Powers said that her husband requested vitamin pills, meat that did not need refrigeration, peanut butter and jelly.

She said she was concerned that the request for vitamins meant that her husband was not getting an adequate diet.

Scout Council Takes Part In Anniversary Celebration

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

The 1,100 Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Explorers and adult volunteer leaders of the Alapaha Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, will observe the 52nd Anniversary of the movement during Boy Scout Week, which starts today.

"The emphasis of this year's Boy Scout Week is on the Scouting Families where the fathers and mothers are active in Scouting's program," said J. C. Woodward Jr., chairman of the Circle Seven District of the Alapaha Council.

"Scouting recognizes the family as an important facet of America's strength," said Woodward. "While we believe that Scouting has contributed to family life in America we are well aware of the contribution families have made both to Scouting and the American way of life."

In recognition of the Scouting birthday, some merchants have given Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Explorers use of store windows and space in shopping centers for displays of the handicraft and to demonstrate some of the skills

they acquire in Scouting. Boy Scout Week will be recognized in local school assemblies through flag ceremonies, acts and stunts by Cub Scouts, exhibits of Scoutcraft by Boy Scouts and demonstration of Scouting skills and talks by Scouts.

Sunday will be observed as Scout Sunday. Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Explorers and their adult leaders will attend church services in uniform with their parents.

Oil Tanker Crash Kills Ga. Driver

WALTERBORO, S.C. (AP)—The fiery crash of an oil tanker has claimed the life of a young Savannah, Ga., truckdriver.

Police said that the driver, Johnny Lee Fuller of Chatham City, Savannah, died when his oil tanker jackknifed, spun off the highway and caught fire in a marsh. The accident occurred 18 miles south of Walterboro on U.S. 17.

CAB REPORT ON PLANE TRAGEDY SAID UNTRUE

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—The president of Imperial Airlines and a pilot who survived a 77-death crash branded as untrue or conjectural some of the Civil Aeronautics Board's findings on the disaster.

Seventy-four Army recruits and three crew members were killed in the crash near Richmond, Va., last fall.

E. J. Averman Jr., president of the line, denied a CAB charge that management condoned substandard maintenance practices.

"Certainly the management didn't condone substandard maintenance. And with respect to the crew, they were all fully qualified and checked out by the Federal Aviation Authority within six months before the accident," Averman said.

He added that "there was no maintenance involved in this accident."

Capt. Ronald H. Conway, 29, the plane's commander, said: "It seems kind of ridiculous for them to say the crew didn't know where the crossover valve was. Anyone who flew the plane would have known."

The CAB had noted that the plane's wheels would not come down but that the crew could have lowered them with a hydraulic crossover valve. The valve had no sign of malfunction, the CAB added, and the board concluded that the crew was unaware the plane had that equipment.

"The switch (for the valve) was inaccessible to the pilot," Conway said. "The flight engineer was told to try it. He told me later he tried it. Evidently he didn't get a response. There may not have been enough hydraulic pressure. There are a lot of factors which could have been responsible."

Conway agreed with the CAB's statement that some of the 74 Army recruits who perished on the plane might have escaped if they had been told where the emergency doors were.

"In ordinary practice you don't point out the emergency exits unless or until you expect trouble," he said. "We didn't anticipate until the last second that we were going to land short of the runway."

Georgia Science Consultant Sets Meet At VSC

Dr. W. B. Baker, science consultant for the State Board of Education, will meet with public school science teachers at Valdosta State College Thursday at 4 p. m. in room 33.

Dr. Baker, who is professor emeritus of botany from Emory University, is currently holding science seminars for public school teachers in south Georgia. Leroy Babcock, associate professor of mathematics at VSC, will arrange Baker's schedule in Valdosta.

Baker will be in Valdosta, said Babcock, until noon Friday and hopes to meet with as many interested science teachers as possible.

Babcock is at present teaching a Saturday class at VSC. General Science for the Elementary Education, with class discussions based on science programs broadcast on channel 8 of the educational TV station WXGA in Waycross.



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DE Club At High School Ready To Hail Its Day

By KAY POWELL

Thursday marks the celebration of the third annual DE day for Valdosta and the Valdosta High School Chapter of the Distributive Education Clubs of America.

The DE program is one in which students attend classes half a day and work half a day.

This year more than 40 businesses will be participating in the DE celebration. These stores will emphasize their DE student and alumni employees. Customers in Grant's will vote on one DE sales clerk as the best salesman in that store.

On DE Day Billy Rowe, local club president, will act as honorary manager of Grant's. Lillian Wood will be the honorary assistant manager.

Mayor Maxwell Oliver will present the key to the city to Billy Rowe.

In addition to the newspaper coverage, DE Day will be further publicized through DE theme window displays.

Elaine Alligood, DE Club reporter is in charge of all publicity for this day. Nick Miller and Jerry Harris are in charge of all displays.

The different phases of the DE Day celebration have been added year by year. The first DE

Day celebration, 1960, was observed by newspaper coverage only. Last year DE students were recognized through observances at the school and in the city.

The highlight of DE Week will be a banquet on Friday at 8 p.m. at the Valdosta Country Club. Clarence Walker, public relations man for Coca-Cola Inc., will be the speaker. The theme of the banquet will be "Opportunities Unlimited" and the decorations will be accented by a DE student on a spaceship. This represents the numerous opportunities available to students in the space age. Walker will emphasize this theme in his talk.

DE Club sweethearts, Eva Ladrow, Judy McMullin, Shirley MacDonald, Joy Ratigan, Charlene Wayne and Joyce Winsler, will greet the banquet guests.

At the banquet two new life memberships in the DE Club will be presented to local businessmen or educators.

The Warren Horton Memorial Award will be given to the most outstanding DE Club member. Winners of the math, spelling, sales, speech, manuals, essays, window displays, and advertising contests will be announced at the banquet.

Bill Glenn, VHS DE Club spon-



Mayor Oliver Gives Key
Billy Rowe Gets Key, Marilyn Rykard Looks On

sor said, "The businessmen of Valdosta have given the DE students more recognition; therefore, the club attracts interested students with the initiative to do a job well. Because the club attracts energetic students, we are able to place them in better jobs."

VHS Group Sets March Open House

Members of the Valdosta High Distributive Education Club will be hosts at an open house in March. Parents and employees as well as interested parties are invited to attend between the hours of 7 and 9 p. m.

New classroom additions of a conference room in which students may discuss problems and projects with the coordinator and a storage room for reference materials are nearing completion. Under the supervision of Allen Webb and his advanced shop class these additions are being completed at a rapid advance so that students this year may use these facilities.

Merchandise displays, ad layouts and manuals are to be displayed during open house.

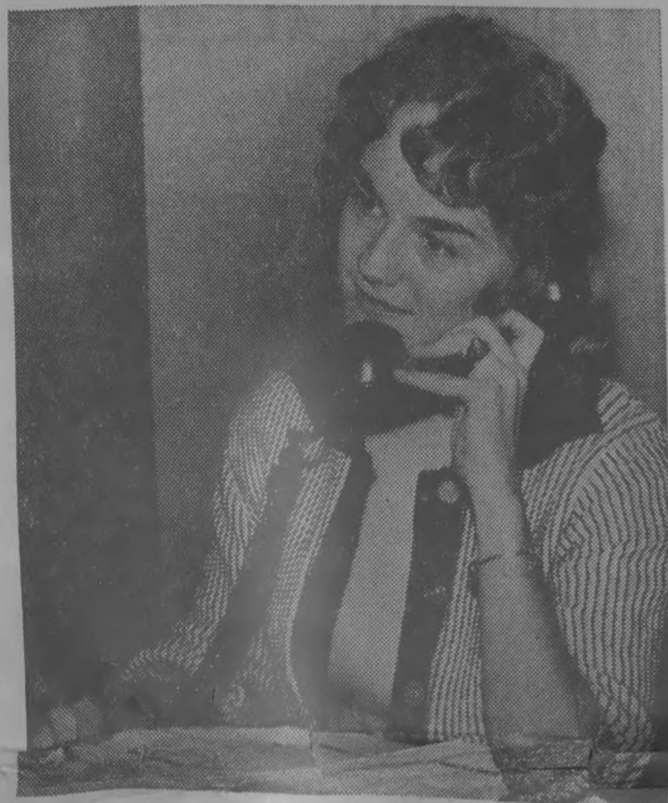
DE sweethearts Eva Ladrow, Shirley MacDonald, Judy McMullin, Joy Ratigan, Joyce Winsler and Charlene Wayne will be on hand to greet guests and guide them on a tour of the DE room, showing accomplishments of the students.

A film entitled "The Story of Distributive Education" will be shown followed by a discussion of the local program.



Best In State Award Goes To VHS Club

Valdosta DE Club president Bill Mashburn accepts the 1959 state "DE Club of the Year" award given each year by the Sears-Roebuck Foundation. The local club has won the best in state award for several years and one year was picked top club in the nation. D. L. Davis makes the award presentation while DE Coordinator W. E. Glenn is shown in the center of picture.



Judy McMullin, a senior and first year D. E. student is employed at Good-year Service Store. Judy is training as a receptionist. Her duties require credit work, orders, accounts, telephone duties, advertising letters and posting records.

As a D. S. student Judy has won first place in her job application manual and competed in the job interview contest. She has been quite active in civic projects, barbecue, socials and was selected as one of the D. E. sweethearts by her classmates.

GOODYEAR SERVICE STORE



Bobby Terry, a senior and second year D. E. student works with Ralph Hiers, a junior and first year D. E. student in setting up a special display at Food Fair. Bobby has been working under the supervision of Willie Wetherington, who is his D. E. training sponsor for two years. The duties of these young men are varied and many from cashier, bag boy, stockkeeping, display or cleaning. They are learning the Grocery business in one of the world's largest and fastest growing supermarket chains.



Brookwood Plaza



Nick Miller is a senior at V. H. S. and a second year D. E. student. His duties at The Music Box in Brookwood Plaza require not only a salesmanship ability and a background of popular records but certain mechanical ability to repair record players, etc. He must have an up-to-date knowledge of stock carried, display techniques and merchandise information.

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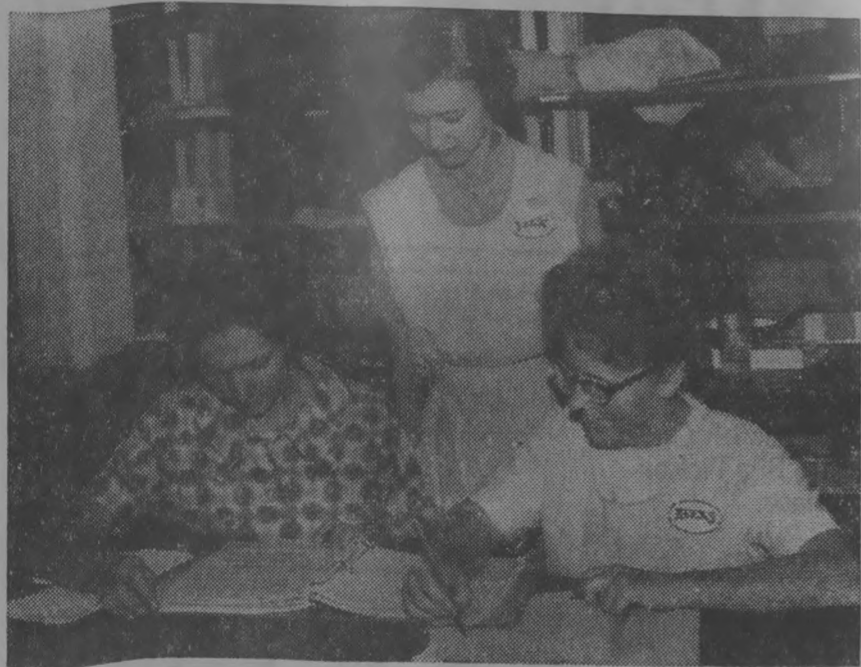


Elizabeth Pritchard, senior at V.H.S. and 2nd year D. E. student is receiving her training at C. C. Varnedoe & Co. along with alumni Norman Green. Elizabeth is an active member of the club program having held the office of parliamentarian and this year is club secretary.

Last year she represented the club in window display judging and will compete in the job interview contest at the state conference in Macon this year.

She has served as chairman of the civic projects for two years as well as being quite active in other projects undertaken by the club.

In her training at Varnedoe's she works as a sales lady in piece goods, accessories, cosmetics and the drapery department.



Sharon Harp is a second year D. E. student. She is employed at S. H. Kress & Co. Her work is varied, including sales, stock and office duties. During the time she has worked for Kress she has gained much valuable experience in the merchandising field and is an example of how D. E. "Develops Future Leaders for Marketing and Distribution".

Alumni include Faye Christie, Wanda Wiggins and Mary O'Neal.

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Bobby Young, a junior and first year D. E. student is employed at Sears Roebuck & Co. under the supervision of Mrs. Mary Neal. Bobby is quite active in D. E. work having been selected as Math contestant and participated in various club projects.

The duties of his job requires sorting orders, stockwork, checking and marking.

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Columbus Suffers First Defeat; Valdosta Continues To Ramble

By ELLWOOD MOYER.

Special to The Constitution

COLUMBUS — While the Valdosta Wildcats continue to roll along undefeated, the Columbus Blue Devils ran into their first setback of the season this past week as they dropped a five-point decision to the Central Red Devils in Phenix City, 47-52, to leave the 'Cats as the lone unbeaten quintet in Region-One, Class-AAA.

Coach Bill Kittrell's Wildcats dropped Tifton by a score of 52 to 44 to run their winning streak to five games.

However the big surprise in Region play was the tremendous comeback of the Baker Lions of Coach Bubba Ball.

After dropping a 36-66 decision to Columbus, the Lions were more-or-less counted out of the region picture. However it took less than a week for Ball to move his club back into the thick of things.

This past week the Lions scored a 51-44 decision over the Jordan Red Jackets and then upset previously unbeaten Central in Phenix City by a score of 48-44. Earlier in the week Central had the five-point over Columbus.

Jerry Smith of Columbus on the other hand has moved out front in the region scoring race with a three game total of 66 points for a 22-point average. Smith failed to score in the first period of the Central game but then added 18 points in the final three quarters. Previously he had 27 points against Baker and 21 against Auburn.

Dub Dodgen of Albany is runner-up to Smith with a five-game total of 99 points for a 19.80-average. Dodgen has 27 points against Vienna, 23 against Cairo, 18 against both Baker and Fitzgerald and 13 against Americus.

Third place in the scoring race belongs to Skip Heath of Warner Robins who had tallied 95-points in five games for a 19-point average. Heath hit for 29 points in the last Demon game against Baldwin. Prior to that he had 21 against Crawford County, 17 against both Valdosta and Bryon, and 11 against the Alumni.

Valdosta's Leo Wells, the scoring leader last week, could get but seven points in the Tifton game and thus his five-game total shows 92 points for an 18.40 average. Wells opened the season with 28 points against Hahira and then

posted 22 points against Echols, 20 against Hahira in a second game, and 15 against Warner Robins.

1-AAA SEASON RECORDS

TEAMS	Won	Lost	Points	OP
Valdosta	5	0	262	235
Baker	3	1	199	209
Warner Robins	4	2	403	374
Columbus	2	1	169	125
Albany	3	2	270	252
Jordan	2	3	269	296
Moultrie	3	4	355	342
LaGrange	0	2	68	91
Lanier	0	3	134	156
Willingham	0	5	220	324

REGION RECORDS

TEAMS	Won	Lost	Points	OP
Baker	1	0	51	44
Jordan	0	1	44	51

The schedule for the week: Tuesday—Dudley Hughes vs. Willingham, Fort Valley at Albany, Lanier at Perry, Baker at Opelika.

Results of games played last week: Warner Robins 72, Moultrie 47; Baker 51, Jordan 44; Valley 91, Jordan 57; Valdosta 52, Tifton 44; R. E. Lee 63, Willingham 49; Dublin 77, Willingham 61; Fort Valley 48, Lanier 38; Savannah 49, Lanier 47; Central 52, Columbus 52; Warner Robins 79, Baldwin County 67; Baker 48, Central 44.

The leading individual scorers:		G.	P.	Avg.
PLAYER, TEAM				
Smith, Columbus	5	66	22.00	
Dodgen, Albany	5	99	19.80	
Heath, Warner Robins	5	95	19.00	
Wells, Valdosta	5	92	18.40	
Garnto, Jordan	5	85	17.00	
Biggs, Lanier	2	29	14.50	
Steele, Valdosta	5	69	13.80	
W. Tucker, Moultrie	4	54	13.50	
Mosier, Baker	4	50	12.50	
Hunter, Warner Robins	5	60	12.00	
Bradberry, Moultrie	6	70	11.67	
Wisnaker, Valdosta	5	55	11.00	
Channell, Warner Robins	5	54	10.80	
Williams, Jordan	5	54	10.80	
Hurston, Jordan	5	52	10.40	
Mitchell, Columbus	3	31	10.33	
Monfay, Baker	2	18	9.00	
Benson, Albany	5	44	8.80	
Gaines, Willingham	4	35	8.75	
Barnard, Albany	5	40	8.00	
R. Mahaffey, LaGrange	2	16	8.00	
Lord, LaGrange	2	16	8.00	
Fincher, Lanier	2	16	8.00	
Denny, Baker	2	15	7.50	
Gilliam, LaGrange	2	15	7.50	
Croft, Moultrie	6	44	7.33	
Cecil, Warner Robins	5	35	7.00	
Muha, Warner Robins	5	34	6.80	

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in Georgia schools.

The house turned thumbs down on a proposed bill which would prohibit the sale of fireworks and passed one which amended the requirements for teachers.

The lawmakers got down to business Friday morning after a busy Thursday night session.

In an inaugural address to the YMCA-sponsored Youth Assembly, Governor-for-three-days Chip Bell of McRae said American youth should "stop, look and listen" and decide where the United States is going.

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THE "SOLONS" started debate Friday on the bills—15 in the House and 22 in the Senate.

Proposed bills included those which would provide state-owned fall-out shelters, minimum salaries for teachers and reapportionment for county welfare funds.

The Youth Assembly is made up of elected representatives of Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y clubs of Georgia. The teen-agers conduct a three-day legislative session mod-

relief
 from Charles Ray in the
 last two innings, got credit for
 the hill victory to boost his record
 to 3-1. Herbert Lester went the
 distance for VHS, took the
 loss and now has a 1-2 mark.

Valdosta is to host Moultrie
 in a non-league game slated
 for 4 p.m. here Thursday at
 Pendleton Park. Lowndes is to
 meet Ware County (Waycross)
 in a sub-division test slated
 for 4 p.m. here Friday at the
 Vikings' home diamond.

LOWNDES	ab	r	h	rbi
B. Moore, ss	3	1	1	0
Mitchell, ss	1	0	0	0
Byrd, lf	4	2	2	0
Register, cf	3	2	1	2
Ray, lb-o	4	1	1	0
Haines, 2b	4	0	1	0
Spriggs, c	4	0	0	0
Sargent, rf	3	0	0	0
Hendrix, 3b	3	0	1	0
Phillips, p	2	1	1	0
Glisson, 1b	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	31	7	8	2

VALDOSTA	ab	r	h	rbi
S. Bounds, ss	4	0	2	1
J. LeFiles, 2b	3	1	1	0
Copeland, lf	4	0	1	0
Branam, c	2	1	1	0
Golden, cf	1	1	0	1
C. Bounds, 3b	2	0	0	0
K. Moore, rf	4	0	0	0
M. LeFiles, 1b	2	1	0	0
Lester, p	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	24	4	5	2
Lowndes	400	100	2	7-8-1
Valdosta	020	020	0	4-5-5

E — C. Bounds, Branam, S. Bounds 2,
 Ray, Copeland
 DP — S. Bounds to J. LeFiles, Byrd to
 Hendrix
 LOB — Lowndes 3, Valdosta 9
 2B — Byrd
 HR — Register
 SB — Byrd, Branam, C. Bounds
 S — C. Bounds
 SF — Golden

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Lester (L)	9	8	7	1	2	8
Phillips (W)	5	4	4	3	5	5
Ray	2	1	0	0	1	3
WP — Lester 2, Phillips						
PB — Spriggs, Branam						

Jack Oliver Top Individual in Class AAA Golf Tourney

GRIFFIN, Ga. (AP)—Top individual honors in the state Class AAA high school golf tournament went to Jack Oliver of Valdosta. Acquinas tied for the team championship.

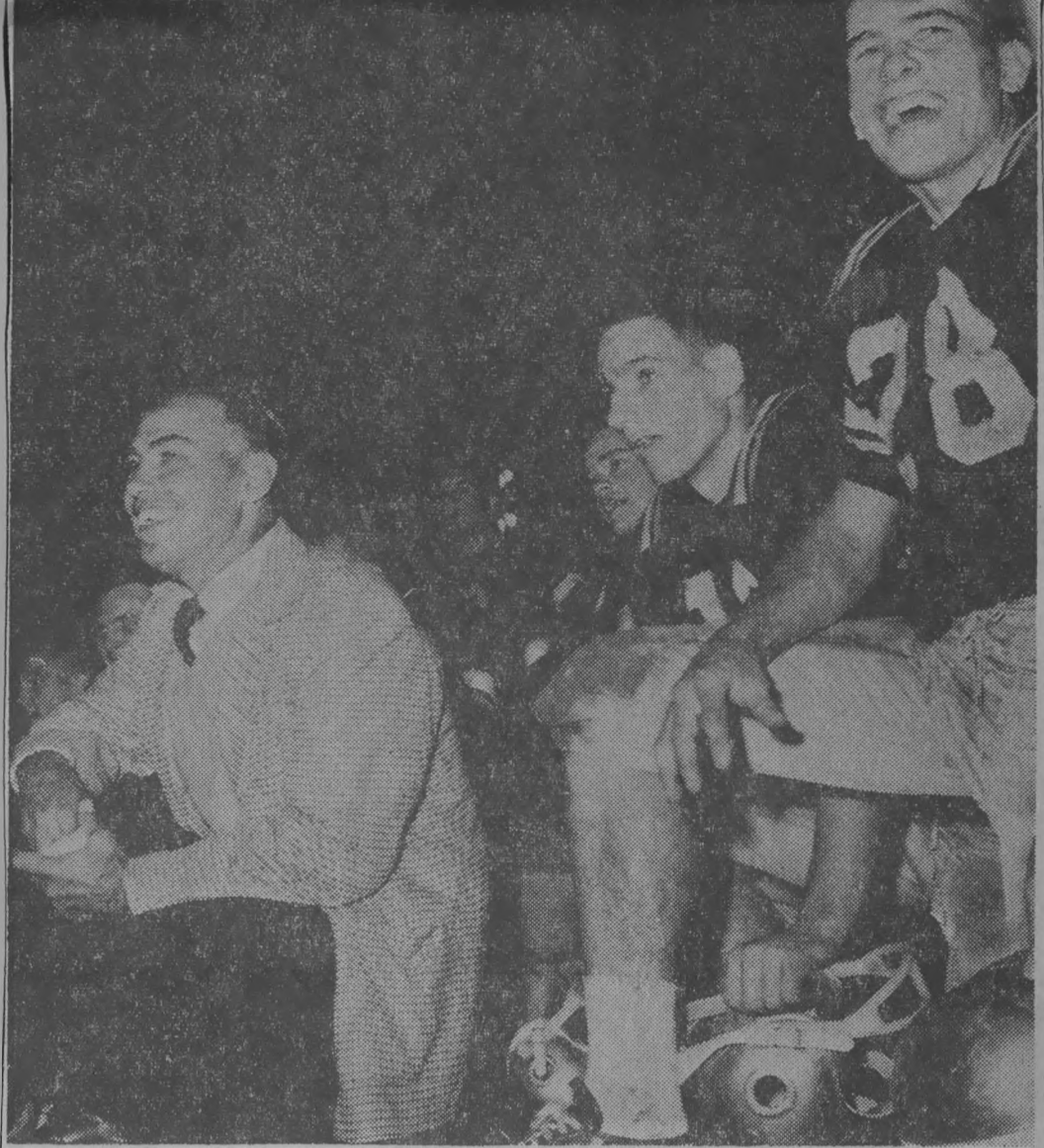
Oliver came out on top by one stroke Friday, posting a 72-76-148 over the Griffin Municipal Golf course. Second was Don Scartz of Southwest with a 72-77-149.

Bill Malone of North Fulton and Barry Cheatham of Southwest tied for third at 151, with identical 76-75 scores.

The Griffin and Acquinas teams

tied at 632 at the end of the 36-hole finals. Southwest of Atlanta was third with 640 followed by Richmond Academy of Augusta 641, Valdosta 643, Lanier 646, North Fulton 654 and Druid Hills 660.

Top individual scores included: Tommy Malone of Lanier, 82-75-157; Bobb Walters of Richmond, 77-75-152; Bunky Henry of Valdosta, 77-76-153; Greg Picard of Acquinas, 74-79-153; David Holcomb of Moultrie, 77-75-152, Burke Hammes of Columbus, 77-77-154.



Everything Is Going Just Right for Valdosta
Coach Wright Bazemore, Clyo Blanton, Bill Holtzclaw Smile

'Cats Earn Crown

Continued from Page 1

Myddleton, with seven tackles and Schroer, Luke and Norwood, with five each, were several among many defensive stickouts. On a tackle-eligible setup Schroer caught a two-handed, basketball-type pass from Bennett and rambled 20 important yards during a TD march. These are just some of the highlights. All who played for Valdosta did their share, plus a little extra.

Although Richmond went down in defeat, the Musketeers had their stickouts. Halfback Forest Inglett gained 41 yards on 11 tries and fullback Theron Lane went 42 yards on five runs to pace the Augusta team's attack. Center Randy Smith gave a tremendous defensive performance. He was

STATISTICS		Val.	Rich.
First Downs		19	5
Yards Rushing		239	73
Yards Passing		64	30
Passes		6-10	3-8
Passes Intc. By		1	0
Fumbles Lost		1	1
Punting		2-36.1	7-39
Penalties		3-15	5-26.5

credited with an amazing number of 15 tackles.

Scoring in the game went like this:

FIRST QUARTER — Valdosta kicked off and forced Richmond to punt from the 36. Ruffer fielded the ball at the 15, circled back to the 10 as he cut for the sideline, got several good blocks and set sail. He didn't stop until he reached the end zone at the other end of the field. But the officials ruled he stepped out of bounds at the 48. It wasn't a TD, as many of the fans believed at the time, but it was a brilliant 38-yard return. From there, the 'Cats moved 52 yards in 14 plays to score. Smith dived over from the one for the tally, then booted the PAT. During the march Smith chipped in with runs of 3, 7, 5, 1 and 1 yards. Bennett picked up 3, 4 and 6. Ruffer got two important yards and Reaves six. A Bennett-to-Reaves pass that covered 14 yards was a key gainer.

SECOND QUARTER — Second time the 'Cats got possession of the ball they marched 59 yards in 13 plays to tally again. It was Bennett who plunged over from the one for this one. Smith's PAT was right on target. During the march Smith gained 7, 4, 4, 3

and 3 yards. Barker got two, Bennett made gains of 9, 6 and 2. Ruffer went two yards. Reaves gained 11 yards on a determined run that carried to the 10.

Before the second stanza ended, Valdosta wheeled 80 yards in 15 plays for TD number three. The tally came on an eight-yard sweep around left end by Bennett. Smith's PAT boot was wide of the mark. Smith made gains of 4, 5 and 1; Ruffer, 5; Barker, 2; Bennett, 3; Zant, 4, 5 and 1. Bennett hit Smith with passes that were good for 7 and 9. Bennett's double-handed flip to Schroer on a tackle-eligible pass was good for a gain of 20 yards that carried to the 25.

With inches to go for a first down at their own 43, the Wildcats elected to gamble. Bennett got more than enough yardage, but the play was nullified by a five-yard penalty. On the next play, Richmond was penalized five yards and VHS was back at the 43 with fourth down and inches to go. The 'Cats gambled again, Bennett dived for three yards and the drive continued until paydirt was reached.

THIRD QUARTER — Richmond kept on its side of the 50 yard line by Valdosta's rugged defense in the first half, began to move. The Musketeers went from their own 36 to the 50. Then they tried a pass. Thomas picked it off and sped 39 yards back the other way. He wasn't brought down until he had gotten to Richmond's 24. In six plays the 'Cats moved in for their fourth TD. Bennett galloped seven yards for the tally. Bunky Henry tried for the PAT, but his kick was a shade off target. Barker gained 4 and 3 yards; Reaves picked up 3. A Bennett-to-Reaves pass accounted for nine.

FOURTH QUARTER — With time running out Richmond finally got its attack in high gear. The Musketeers moved from their own 35 to the Valdosta four. The triple fumble recovery by Myddleton, Dennis and Schroer put the breaks on the Musketeers. Inglett got loose for gains of six and 13 yards. Lane wiggled and bulled his way 31 yards. Steve Neuhaus hit Alton Bell with a pass that was good for 13 yards and connected with Glenn Gray on another pitch that accounted for

nine yards. But the Wildcats held firm in the shadow of the goal posts and the Musketeers saw their lone scoring chance end in frustration.

LINEUPS VALDOSTA

Ends — Bender, Hendley, DeLoach, Holtzclaw, Colson, Griffin.
Tackles — Myddleton, Prewitte, Schroer, Dennis, Oliver, Hunter.
Guards — Minchew, Patterson, Wetherington, Holt.
Centers — Norwood, Robinson.
Backs — Zant, Barker, Thomas, Blanton, Varnado, Lee, Ruffer, Luke, Reaves, Bennett, Smith.

RICHMOND

Ends — Ray, Gray.
Tackles — Neighbors, Peterson, Reese, Long.
Guards — McLaughlin, Waddey, Brown, Wilds.
Centers — Smith, McNeal, Burnett, Fitzgerald.
Backs — Perrow, Howard, Neuhaus, Kenerleber, Tankersley, Bell, Gavalas, Kish, Inglett, Corley, Lane.

Score by quarters:
Valdosta 7 13 6 0 — 26
Richmond 0 0 0 0 — 0
Scoring TD's — Valdosta — Smith (1, run), Bennett 3 (1, run; 8, run; 7, run).
PAT's — Valdosta — Smith 2 (placements).

WINS IN WALK

Villanova Defeats Seton Hall, 99-67

The battle of the unbeaten wasn't. Villanova beat Seton Hall in a walk. Or, more appropriately in the case of the fleet Wildcats, in a run.

'Art Market' Race Winner At Arcadia

ARCADIA, Calif. (AP) — Art Market won his second victory in four days Monday at Santa Anita and this one really counted.

Athens Fans Pay Homage To Tarkenton

ATHENS, Ga. (AP)—Renown as a rookie in the National Football League has done nothing to diminish the humility of Francis Tarkenton, the quarterback who led the University of Georgia to grid glory in 1959.

His hometown folks set aside a special day for the friendly young football stalwart Wednesday. And at a banquet in his honor, speakers—including Gov. Ernest Vandiver via tape recording—heaped praise on Tarkenton.

He responded by giving the credit to those whose lives were linked with him through his football trail which led to the Minnesota Vikings.

Lakers Trounce Warriors 124-123

Even without Elgin Baylor, the Los Angeles Lakers still can beat the Philadelphia Warriors in the National Basketball Association.

Trippi To Speak At Brooks County Football Banquet

QUITMAN — Charlie Trippi, former playing guard and now backfield coach at Georgia, will be guest at a banquet here Jan. 17 honoring the Brooks County High football team.

Trippi earned All-America honors as a player at Georgia and then went on to a brilliant pro career with the Chicago Cardinals. He is rated as one of the Bulldogs' all-time great backs.

The banquet honoring the Brooks gridders is an annual affair sponsored by the Quitman College Basketball



PAUL DIETZEL Army Bound?

LSU, Army May 'Duel' Over Coach

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — The big pull came from the South today in the tug of war between Louisiana State University and the Army over the football coaching services of LSU's Paul Dietzel.

Kubek May Next July Rejoin NY

WASHINGTON AP — Major league baseball players called to active military service last fall probably won't make spring training, but they could see action before the 1962 season is half over.

Sports Stars To Receive AP Trophies

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Speed Queen Wilma Rudolph Ward and home run king Roger Maris will receive trophies tonight in recognition of their selection as woman and male athletes of 1961.

Golf Pros Set To Launch Tourney Tour

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Golf's greatest players hit the rich money trail today in a \$5,000 professional-celebrity prelude to the \$45,000 Los Angeles Open.

Oglethorpe Wins 76-67 After Scare

ATLANTA (AP) — Inept ball handling and an almost impenetrable zone defense by Georgia Southern nearly spelled defeat for the highly touted Oglethorpe basketball team Wednesday night, but the Petrels pulled out a 77-67 victory in double overtime.

Basketball Scoreboard

Table with columns for Pro Basketball, NBA Wednesday Results, Friday Games, ABL Wednesday Results, Thursday Games, Friday Games, and College Basketball.

VHS Ranked 2nd In Nation

By TIMES STAFF WRITER Valdosta's 1961 Wildcats have been rated the number two high school football team in the nation.

VHS' 1960 state championship crew was selected for eighth place by Johns in his rating chart.

President Kennedy announced Wednesday that two new regular Army divisions would be formed this year.

Under law, the 32nd Division of Wisconsin and the 49th Division of Texas can be held until next Oct. 15.

Reactivated professional football players would be demobilized in plenty of time for the 1962 season if the June 30 date is achieved.

Pentagon officials, in discussing the possible release by June 30, stressed that no special consideration would be shown to professional athletes.

Jack Fadden is the trainer for the Boston Red Sox and Harvard University football team.

Southern then came to life and the lead see-sawed into a 63-63 knot at the end of regulation playing time.

Oglethorpe now has won six games in seven starts. Southern's record is three and seven.

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Three Georgia teams were included among those gaining honorable mention. They were Waycross, the state Class AA champ; R. E. Lee of Thomaston, runner-up to Valdosta in the state "AAA" title race, and Richmond Academy of Augusta, the Region 2, AAA champ and loser to Valdosta in the South Georgia "AAA" play-off.

The Wildcats of '61 ran up some impressive statistics. In the 12 games they played they gained 3,979 yards rushing, an average of 331.4 yards per game, and 1,249 passing, an average of 104.0 per game. They scored 385 points for a 32.07 average.

They limited their opponents to 878 yards rushing (73.1 average), 666 yards passing (55.5 average) and to 54 points (4.5 average).

Valdosta was behind in just one game. In the second contest of the year Thomasville took an early 6-0 lead. But the 'Cats were ahead 7-6 at the half in that one and went on to win by a 33-6 margin.

Top-ranked Massillon has an enrollment of 1,177, compared to Valdosta's 832. The Ohio champ's home stadium seats 21,345 and Massillon drew crowds ranging from 22,000 to 12,300 while grossing more than \$100,000. Massillon's head coach draws down a basic salary of \$10,000.

Following are the standing after action in the Valdosta Classic bow league.

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Wildcats' March To Second AAA Grid Title Highlight Of Thrilling 1961 Sports Year



Area Produced Full Quota Of Top Teams, New Records

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

The Valdosta Wildcats' march to their second state Class AAA high school football crown highlighted an action-packed 1961 athletic whirl which provided thrills in abundance for sports fans throughout the area.

It was a year of champions, record-breaking performances, expansion, growing attendance and increased participation.

Beside football — basketball, golf, hunting, fishing, tennis, boating, auto racing, softball, baseball and track had major roles in a drama which made '61 a year to remember for sports enthusiasts.

Coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcats won 12 in a row, running their two-year unbeaten string to 24 games. They wiped out the old Class AAA consecutive win record of 16 titles.

Bruce Bennett and Giles Smith set offensive and scoring records. Billy Schroer, Bill Myddleton, Foy Norwood and Gary Minchew spearheaded a VHS line ranked with the best in the school's history. All earned either All-State or All-State honorable mention ratings.

Lowndes County's Golden Eagles made plenty of football news. Coach Carlton Adams' charges, playing only their second full campaign, finished with a sparkling 7-2-1 record and runner-up honors in 1-A (East).

The area abounded with championship basketball teams. Two of the best were coach Bill Davis' Valdosta High Kittens and coach Gary Colson's Valdosta State College Rebels.

The Kittens of 1960-61 compiled a 23-1 record in a sweep that carried them to the state "AAA" crown. Colson's 1960-61 Rebs, led by All-Stater Homer Chambliss, clicked for 19 wins in 25 tries and claimed their first Georgia Intercollegiate Athletic Association title.

Hahira's girls were surprise winners of the 1-B (East) title. Coach Charlie Bennett's Clinch County Panthers won 20 of 22 and were runners-up in the state "B" test. Lanier County's Bulldogs, with a 20-3 record, ruled as 1-C champs. Coach George Eanes' Brooks County Tigerettes were unbeaten in regular season play, won the 1-A (West) and 1-A championships and were runners-up in their state meet.

LOHT's Eagles had a sparkling 17-6 record and coach Bill Kittrell's Wildcats pulled a major surprise by earning fourth place in the 1-AAA tourney at Albany.

Hunting and fishing continued to be two of the area's most popular participation sports. For the hunters there was the annual Continental Field Trials at Dixie Plantation near Dixie. The famous event drew top entries from throughout the country.

There were many popular fishing spots. When Banks Lake near Lakeland was drained, more than 2,000 anglers splashed through its shallow waters and hauled out fish by the car loads.

Golfers began playing on the new, nine-hole Lake Francis Gardens Recreation Center Course at Twin Lakes with Jackie Oliver winning the first tourney there.

Valdosta Country Club offered an impressive tourney slate with Frank Eldridge Jr. winning the Jack Oliver and Lowndes County Invitationals. Charles (Boog) Layton of Waycross led the way in the 2nd annual Valdosta Boys' Club Open.

Top event for the women golfers was the annual One-Day Tourney, with Moultrie's Libby Huffaker the victor. The Valdosta Ladies Golf Association claimed its first Georgia-Florida League title. The club champs were John and Edith Oliver.

Coach Bill Bennett's Valdosta High linksmen captured the 1-AAA championship. In the lineup were Bunky Henry, individual champ, Jackie Oliver, Alvie Steele and Bobby Steele.

Henry was runner-up in the Georgia Jaycee Junior tourney and finished ninth in a field of more than 200 in the Jaycee Junior National tourney at Denver.

Tennis boomed when some new city-built courts were completed in McKey Park. Two major events, the City Junior and Valdosta Invitational, were played on the new courts.

In the junior test, singles titles were claimed by Tommy Anderson, Andy Willaford, Wayne New, Betty McClenny and Carmen Smith.

Bucky Anderson, Red Sikes and Bernie Brown were the champs the Valdosta Invitational fans talked about.

VSC's tennis Rebs had a fine 12-2 season and Mrs. Herman Johnson's Valdosta High girls net team won the 1-AAA crown for the third year in a row with Sandra Bennett, Jackie Jenkins, Betty McClenny and Barbara Knoll leading the way.

Bowling had a good year, with titles going on the line in more than a dozen leagues. The future for the sport took on a rosy hue when construction of a new \$400,000 bowling alley on North Lee Street got underway.

Thunderbowl Speedway drew record crowds. Stock car racing fans watched Sam McQuagg, Harvey Jones, Earl Powell, Rayford Sapp and Eddie McDonald capture point honors and win major events.

With the speed sport booming, plans were announced and work started on the building of another half-mile racing oval just north of Valdosta.

Speedboat racing made its debut in Valdosta and Albany's Melvyn Cooper took home an arm full of trophies after the Southeastern Boating Association championship event at Twin Lakes.

Trackmen from Valdosta, Lowndes County and Brooks County turned in record-breaking performances.

Taylor Coppage broke the 1-AAA mark and tied the state AAA mark in the high hurdles. The VHS foursome of Giles Smith, Tommy Tart, Phil Reames and Billy Blocker set a new 1-AAA standard for the 440 relay event.

LOHT's Gary Wetherington shattered the Class A state high hurdles record and Brooks County's Mickey Harden broke the state "A" low hurdles mark.

Baseball had a big inning. Three Little League tourneys of importance were staged here, climaxed by the state meet which produced Macon as the Georgia titleholder.

Dasher and Rotary were division champs in the Boys' Club LL title battles. The Valdosta Western League All-Stars romped to the Area 2 tourney title. Tifton ruled the roost in the District 7 outing.

On the Babe Ruth League front, the Kiwanis Club-sponsored entry led the way.

In the world of softball, First Methodist entered the Valdosta Church League throne room. Luke's Barber Shop was the City League champ.

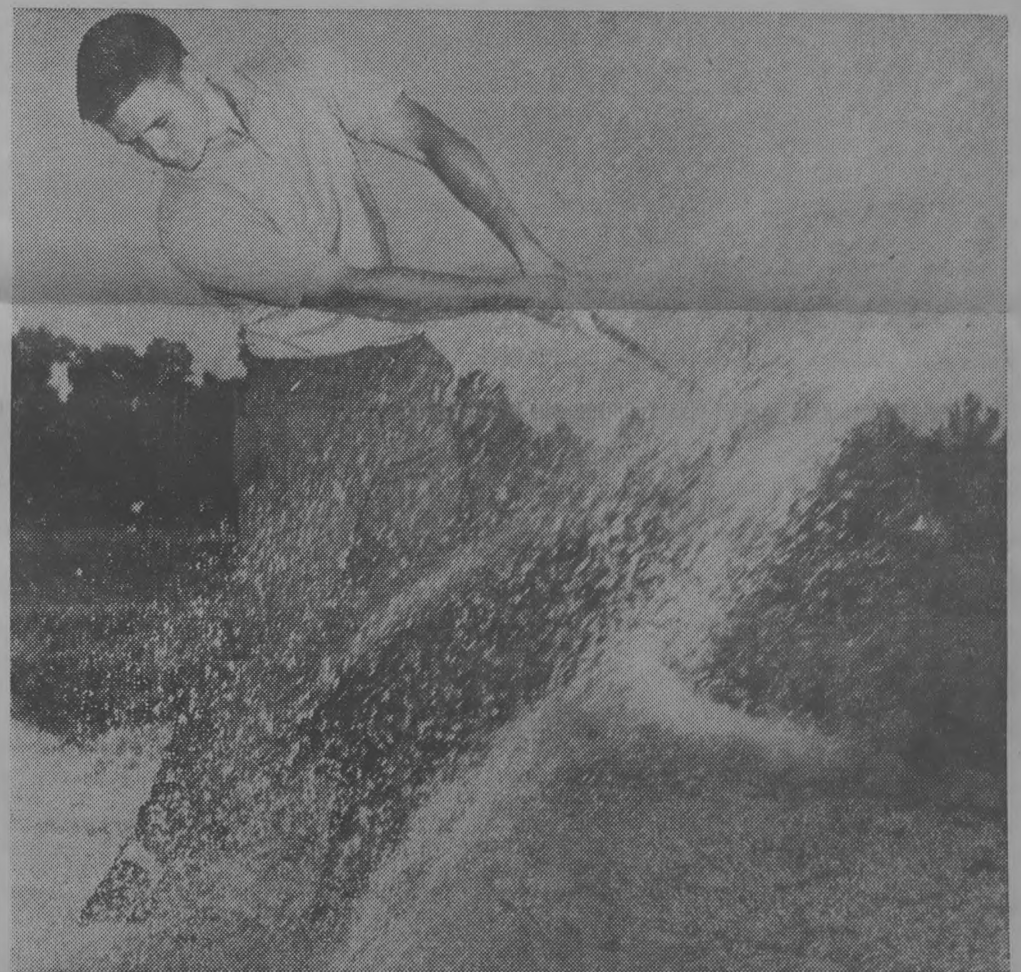
The Fourth District ASA tourney produced an all-Valdosta finals with Belk-Hudson beating Coca-Cola in the title showdown.

Yes, 1961 was a busy and action-packed sports year.

All Photos For This Roundup Made By Times Photographer Robert Winter III



Coach Wright Bazemore (L) Had Plenty To Smile About
His Wildcats Won State AAA Football Crown 2nd Year In Row



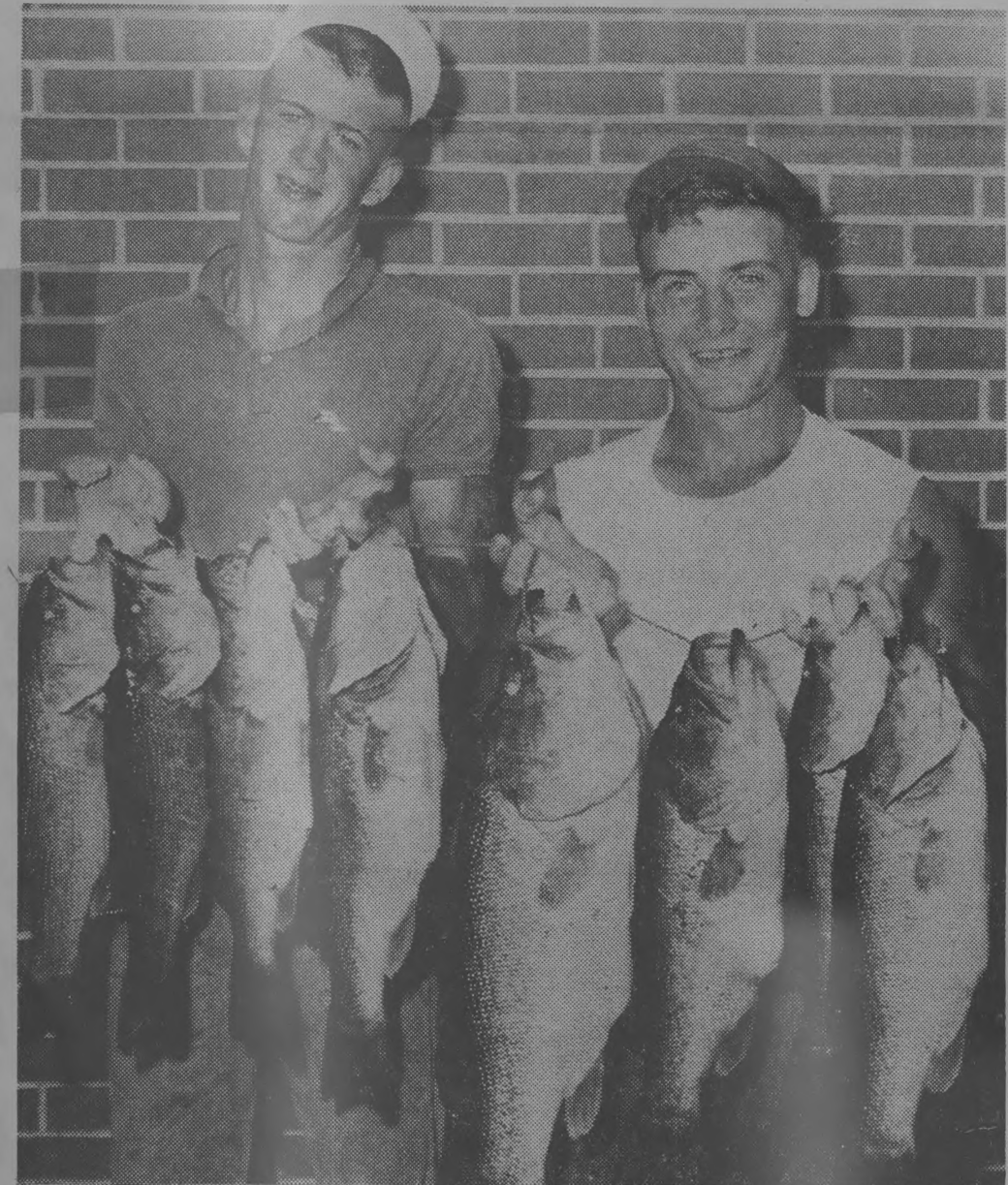
Young Golf Star Bunky Henry Blasts One From Trap
Helped Lead Valdosta High Links Team To 1-AAA Crown



Homer Chambliss (21) Scores
Led VSC To Conference Championship



Tense Moment During State Little League Tourney
Athens Coach Jim Sheats (R) Talks With Charlie Bulla, Charles Perry



Few Of Big Ones That Were Caught
O'Neal, Myddleton Landed These Beauties



'Now Let's See Who Won'
Tennis Tourney Entries Cherk Scarborough



Billy Grant (R) Gets Ready To Putt At Lake Francis Course
New Nine-Hole Layout Built And Opened For Play At Twin Lakes

'Cats Head For Defense Of State Championship

Battle With Thomaston 'Toughest Yet' --- Bazemore

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's state champion Wildcats departed the city at noon today for the long ride to Thomaston where they will put their championship status on the line tonight.

For the Wildcats it will be the second chance in as many years to bring home the bacon — the Georgia AAA state championship.

Just before boarding the special bus for the grid clash with Robert E. Lee High School of Thomaston, Coach Wright Bazemore termed the battle his "toughest yet."

Riding a 23 - game winning streak, the Wildcats will put this on the line as well as their state championship, and Bazemore isn't happy at all about going against the tough Rebel defensive crew led by its all state center Wayne Beeland.

The Wildcat coach felt this

would be the toughest test for his young crew to date. "I can't help but remember when Avondale came down here last year for the state game and we had to score with only 49 seconds left to pull that one out of the fire," Bazemore said.

Clearly in the favorite's role, the 'Cats will go into the contest with the disadvantage of playing away from home. However, if things work out as they have during the season, the Valdosta crew should have little trouble with the non-home field disadvantage.

Thousands of Valdosta fans are expected to jam the Robert E. Lee stadium to capacity. Special buses will haul hundreds to Thomaston, while others are expected to go by private automobile.

The VHS team left at noon today and will make the Upson Hotel their headquarters in Thomaston. Bazemore said they will arrive about 4 p. m., get a little something to eat, take a long walk to loosen up their legs and then rest up for what is expected to be the roughest foe of the year.

Thomaston will be out to avenge three things. First they want to avenge two lickings Valdosta handed them in 1958 and 1959. The also want to show an Albany sports writer they didn't quit Region 1-AAA because they are "chicken" as that particular sports writer indicated.

These two grudge factors worry Bazemore. Of course, he has no alibis for beating the Robert E. Lee crew in 1958 and 1959, but what worries him most is that clipping from the Albany newspaper that will be in the Robert E. Lee dressing room.

The game with the Rebels will be only the third meeting between the two schools in their grid history, and the Rebels will be out to make the record 2-1.

The Wildcats will go into the contest almost up to full strength. They will miss the services of fine halfback Kenny Ruffer who re-injured his banged-up knee against Richmond Academy last week.

Bazemore said Ruffer wouldn't even dress out for the contest.

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—Times Staff Photo

'Cats All-State Tackles Ready

Bill Myddleton, Bill Schroer Big Guns for VHS

Wildcats Prove They Were State Champs All The Way

Editor's Note: Times Sports Editor Sammy Glassman missed the Valdosta-Robert E. Lee state championship football game due to a death in his family. The following column is written by Times staffer Tenney Griffin who covered the grid battle.

By TENNEY GRIFFIN

Valdosta's championship Wildcats rose to the occasion last Friday night when they pounded Robert E. Lee of Thomaston into submission 34-13, but it took all the Wildcats had to stick with the Rebels for 24 minutes.

Of course, you could look at it the other way — it took all the Rebels had for two quarters to stick with the 'Cats until the dam broke about midway in the third stanza.

But either way, you've got to give Coach Jim Cavan's scrappy bunch all the credit in the world — they stuck in there until the superior manpower of the Valdosta crew took its toll.

The Rebels lost their fine halfback, Coach Cavan's son, Jimmy Cavan, when all state tackle Bill Myddleton slammed him to the turf in the second quarter. They also lost their quarterback Tommy Dews for most of the second half when he suffered a leg injury.

The Wildcats' tremendous defensive effort led by Butch Luke, Bill Myddleton, Bill Schroer, Jerry Varnado, Rick Thomas, Danny Hendley, Billy Holtzclaw, Stan Reaves, and all the others was the big factor when trying to analyze the game.

Bennett An All-American

Bruce Bennett, described as "an All-American if I've ever seen one," by an Atlanta sports writer, was another big difference. So were Giles Smith, Walter Zant, Reaves, Sirois Barker, Gary Minchew, Larry Dennis, Wally Colson, Frank Wetherington, Charles Oliver, Skipper Prewitte and Dick Bender on the offensive side of the ledger.

All told Coach Wright Bazemore played a total of 27 as he two-platooned R. E. Lee to death. Coach Cavan had only 15 he could play against the strong Wildcat squad.

An Atlanta sports writer earlier described the finest two football teams in the state as Valdosta's first and second units. The R. E. Lee game bore this out.

The big turning point in the game came oddly enough on Lee's finest defensive effort of the night.

The Wildcats had the ball on Lee's seven, third down and two to go for the first. Bruce Bennett tried to go wide to his left, he tripped down and lost three. That made it fourth and five. Bennett tried again but this time was stopped for no gain.

This sequence came in the third quarter, just after the half-time kickoff with Valdosta leading by only one point, 7-6.

Wouldn't Go For Three Points

With fourth and five on Lee's 10, why didn't Bazemore go for the field goal? He had Giles Smith who can kick it a mile from placement and also Bunky Henry who can kick it two miles from placement.

The question was asked by an Associated Press sports writer who was down covering the contest in Thomaston. But Bazemore knew if the fourth down play failed, his defense would hold, forcing Lee to kick.

Had Bazemore gone for the field goal and made it, the 'Cats would have had to kick off and give Lee the ball around their 30 or 40.

So Bazemore forgot about three points, went for the first down, but didn't make it. The 'Cats had to give Lee the ball on their 10. The awesome defense held, forcing Lee to punt. Thomas returned it to Lee's 30, thanks to a fine block by Billy Holtzclaw.

In two plays Bennett had hit Reaves for a 35-yard pass and six points. That put Valdosta ahead 14-6 after Giles Smith toed the point after.

Of course, Lee came back on the kickoff and Gaines Wilson galloped 90 yards for a score. But Lee was never in the contest during the second half.

Lee Never In Contest After Half

In the final half, Lee gained just 14 yards from scrimmage, six yards passing and eight rushing, for no first downs.

Lee was a fast team, the first really fast squad the 'Cats have encountered all season. This was part of the "closeness" of the contest. Lee did a fine job in stopping Bennett on his favorite play, keeper wide. But Bruce proved his all-state status rushing for 141 yards in 24 carries and passing for another 70.

It finally boiled down to too much 'Cat manpower, fired up manpower who had to stay fired up to pound down a Robert E. Lee team which had plenty of that old stuff which makes good football teams — GUTS (pardon the expression.)

North Georgia Rises Again, Wins Three Prep Grid Titles

Waycross, Valdosta Roll

By BILL SCHEMMELE

The South may rise up again but for one year at least the North is king of Georgia prep football.

Destroying with a vengeance a four year Flat Lands stranglehold, Carrollton (A), Fort Valley (B), and Coosa (C) brought three State Championships back to the North.

It was the most successful year for teams above the Macon-Dixon line since 1955 when Athens crumbled Valdosta, 41-20, for the Class A championship, Morgan won the B crown, and Rossville and La-Grange shared the AA title by tying 13-13.

In fact, not since 1957 when Northside and Trion won AAA and B championships has the North carried home as many as two state titles.

Valdosta and Waycross suc-

ceeded themselves as Class AAA and AA kings this past weekend by soundly thrashing R. E. Lee of Thomaston and Rossville.

Wright Bazemore and his Valdostans won their ninth state championship and finished an eighth unbeaten season by pounding Lee, 34-13. Ahead only 14-13 late in the third period, the Wildcats stormed across with three touchdowns to strip the Rebels of any championship ambitions.

Bruce Bennett, Valdosta's fiery All-State Back of the Year, had one of the greatest nights of his illustrious career by sneaking one yard for two touchdowns, passing 36 and 8 yards for two others and amassing 141 yards on 24 carries.

Waycross junior quarterback David Barber took up the slack left by crippled Marvin Hurst and led the Bulldogs to a 23-7 thumper of Rossville. Barber raced 19 yards for a touchdown, rushed 121 yards on six carries and passed for 84 yards. The hobbled Hurst displayed raw courage by entering the

game on two severely battered knees and taking a pass from Barber at the 50 and snake dancing for a touchdown.

Carrollton ruined the City of Waycross' dreams of dual state champions by knocking off Ware County, 21-0.

Billy Whitworth, Carrollton sophomore, scored on an 11-yard run and gained 69 yards on eight carries, recovered a fumble to pace the victory.

Fort Valley finally pushed across a touchdown in the waning minutes of the final period to best Blakely, 6-0, and claim the Class B championship. Jody Hardeman went 13 yards for the touchdown.

Coosa hacked Lincolnton to a 21-0 death at Sanford Stadium in Athens, ousting the Red Raiders from the Class C throne and winning the state championship in its last season in Class C.

Doug Trapp was the hero for the Eagles from Rome. The junior halfback directed Coosa to the first touchdown on nine and-20-yard runs. He scored later in the game on a 10-yard scoring dash.



Staff Photo—Hugh Stovall

HEROES OF TODAY AND TOMORROW WATCH VALDOSTA CRUMBLE LEE

Wildcat Mascot, Wintsel Love, age four, kneels beside Christie Patterson, Randy Hunter

Wildcats Dominate All-Region Team

By ELWOOD MOYER
SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

COLUMBUS — The Region-One, Class-AAA Valdosta Wildcats, region winners the past two seasons and owners of a 23-consecutive game win streak, completely dominated the all-region team in a poll of sportswriters and sportscasters by landing no less than six players on a 12-man first team that went the extra player when a tie developed at one of the guard positions.

Moultrie placed three men on the first team and the other three places went to one player each from Jordan, Willingham and Warner Robins.

Two Valdosta players landed the back and linesman of the year awards as both received 25 out of a possible 26 votes in the poll.

Bruce Bennett, who set a new Region-One, Class-AAA offensive record this past season when he rushed for 771 yards and passed for another 965 yards, was the top back in the region.

The outstanding linesman was Bill Myddleton, the tremendous junior tackle of the 'Cats who will be around for another campaign.

The number three player in the voting was Joel Dickens of Willingham who had six less votes, 19.

The all-region team had Wayne Tucker of Moultrie and Ken Muha of Warner Robins at the flanks, and Valdosta grabbed the two tackle spots with Myddleton and Bill Schroer.

Gary Minchew of Valdosta was named to one of the guard positions and a tie developed between Larry Jones of Jordan and Buddy McCoy of Moultrie for the other post.

The pivot position went to Foy Norwood of Valdosta in a close voting as only three votes separated Norwood and Larry Watson of Albany who placed on the third team.

In the backfield there was Bennett and Giles Smith of Valdosta, Dickens of Willingham and Clyde Isom of Moultrie who beat out Bob Taylor of LaGrange by one vote for the last backfield spot.

The second team also went to 12-players when a tie developed for one of the backfield positions.

Moultrie dominated the second team by placing four players, while LaGrange and Albany each landed two players, with Warner Robins, Jordan, Lanier and Baker each coming up with one.

Three ties developed on the third team which saw Albany and Valdosta each having three players named, Moultrie and Warner Robins two each, and Jordan, Willingham, Lanier and Baker one each.

A total of 13 players were given honorable mention which made a total of 51 players named to the region honors somewhere along the line.

The region first team averages out to 181 pounds, with a forward wall of 184 going with a 174 pound backfield.

Eight seniors, three juniors and one sophomore make up the team.

The three juniors and one sophomore incidentally all belong to Valdosta and the three Wildcats who also made the third team are all juniors which makes things look dark for the remainder of the region and the state as well for the 1962 campaign.

The only sophomore to make the club is the Wildcat center, the 195-pound, 5-11 Foy Norwood. In fact he was the only sophomore to make any of the first three teams.

1961 Region All Stars

The Region-One, Class-AAA selections as determined by a poll of 13 writers and radio men, looks as follows:

First Team						
Position	Player	Team	Height	Weight	Class	Votes
End	Wayne Tucker	Moultrie	6-2	175	Senior	15
End	Ken Muha	Warner Robins	6-1	175	Senior	14
Tackle	Bill Myddleton	Valdosta	5-10	195	Junior	25
Tackle	Billy Schroer	Valdosta	6-2	195	Junior	15
Guard	Gary Minchew	Valdosta	5-11	180	Senior	14
Guard	Larry Jones	Jordan	5-11	175	Senior	11
Guard	Buddy McCoy	Moultrie	5-11	185	Senior	11
Center	Foy Norwood	Valdosta	5-11	195	Soph	14
Back	Bruce Bennett	Valdosta	5-11	165	Senior	25
Back	Joel Dickens	Willingham	5-11	190	Senior	19
Back	Giles Smith	Valdosta	5-10	155	Junior	18
Back	Clyde Isom	Moultrie	6-0	185	Senior	17

Second Team						
Position	Player	Team	Height	Weight	Class	Votes
End	Randy Mahaffey	LaGrange	6-5	183	Junior	9
End	Don Burton	Lanier	6-1	180	Senior	8
Tackle	Johnny Palmer	Albany	6-0	190	Senior	10
Tackle	Sonny Davis	Moultrie	6-0	205	Senior	10
Guard	Tomps Gray	Baker	6-0	200	Senior	9
Guard	Sam Freeman	Moultrie	5-11	175	Senior	7
Center	Reid Carlton	Moultrie	6-1	170	Senior	12
Back	Bob Taylor	LaGrange	5-8	164	Senior	16
Back	Lawton Garnto	Jordan	6-0	165	Senior	10
Back	Jackie Hammond	W. R.	6-0	170	Senior	8
Back	Randy Harvey	Moultrie	5-8	150	Senior	6
Back	Rodger Beaver	Albany	5-9	180	Senior	6

Third Team						
Position	Player	Team	Height	Weight	Class	Votes
End	Wayne Passmore	Moultrie	5-11	160	Senior	7
End	Doug Boyd	Willingham	6-2	180	Senior	6
End	Wally Colson	Valdosta	6-1	180	Junior	6
Tackle	Bill Netson	Baker	6-2	210	Senior	9
Tackle	David Berry	Warner Robins	6-1	205	Junior	5
Guard	Tommy Seward	Lanier	5-11	180	Junior	6
Guard	LeRoy Baugher	W. R.	5-11	195	Senior	5
Guard	Bill Holt	Valdosta	5-10	160	Junior	5
Center	Larry Watson	Albany	5-11	185	Senior	11
Back	Sammy Fulford	Jordan	5-9	155	Senior	5
Back	Kenny Ruffer	Valdosta	5-10	165	Junior	5
Back	Steve Heidt	Albany	6-0	190	Senior	4
Back	James Gray	Albany	5-10	190	Senior	3
Back	Charlie Pippin	Moultrie	6-0	185	Junior	3

Honorable Mention

Ends — Alton Knight, Warner Robins; Billy Holtzclaw, Valdosta; Danny Hendley, Valdosta; Doug Jackson, Columbus; Lamar Henderson, Jordan.

Tackles — None

Guards — Frank Wetherington, Valdosta; Centers — Henry Bowden, Lanier; Dick Crosby, Willingham

Backs — Bobby Nixon, Warner Robins; Stan Reaves, Valdosta; Butch Luke, Valdosta; Walter Zant, Valdosta; Boyd Taylor, LaGrange.

Voting in the Poll

Jimmy Johnson, Moultrie Observer; Harley Bowers, Macon Telegraph; Ed Mullinax, Radio WLAG, LaGrange; Sam Glassman, Valdosta Daily Times; Fred Verner Jr., Warner Robins; Pat Robinson, LaGrange Daily News; Gary Phillips, Albany Herald; Jimmy Griggs, Radio WDAK, Columbus; Gordon Slem, Macon News; Cecil Darby, Columbus Ledger-Enquirer; Don Osborn, Columbus Enquirer; James Hughes, Radio WLAG, Albany; and Everett Griner, Radio WMAG, Moultrie.

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Never in the more than a decade that "Roberts Ratings" have been published weekly during football season has The Constitution's yardstick for evaluating top Georgia high school teams proved so accurate as 1961.

Valdosta, Waycross, Carrollton, Fort Valley and Coosa of Rome captured state championships over the weekend, and all were ranked number one in their own classes most of the season by The Constitution.

Coach Charles Grisham's Carrollton entry and Branch Bragg's Coosans, who whipped Ware County and Lincolnton by matching 21-0 decisions to nail down their championships, in fact, were ranked on top of the A and C fields from start to finish.

Norman Faircloth's Fort Valleyians, who edged Morgan County, 9-7, and Blakely, 6-0, in the semifinals and despite the tragic death in a hunting accident of linebacker Thomas Greathouse, were rated ahead of all B class elevens every week except one. That one, ironically, was the next to last one, Morgan County being given the nod.

Wright Bazemore's Valdosta Wildcats and Earl O'Neal's Waycross Bulldogs, 34-13 and 23-7 victors over R. E. Lee of Thomaston and Rossville in the state finals Friday, were ranked either first or second all season in AAA and AA. Valdosta supplanted Richmond Academy in the number one slot about mid-season. Waycross was rated behind Gainesville for about half the season, also.

The final two weeks of the playoffs did not bring about a single alteration in The Constitution's final AAA ratings. Lee and Murphy, which lost a penetration decision to the Thomastonians after a 7-7 stalemate in the semis, retained second and third spots among the 53 teams. And Richmond, 26-0 loser to Valdosta in the South Georgia playoffs, remained fourth.

In 47-team Class AA, Waycross won its second straight crown by dumping invading Westminster,



Charlie Roberts

ON WON BIG, TOO Waycross, Carrollton, Coosa Aid Prophets

7-0, and Rossville, 23-7, and Rossville netted a 10-7 penetration triumph over Gainesville after a 7-7 tie. Westminster's great show against Waycross jumped Charlie Brake's Atlantans two spots to second. Rossville remained third and Gainesville dropped two slots to fourth.

In 42-team Class A, Carrollton crushed Commerce, 30-0, before taming Ware, which handed Screven 1/2 County its first setback in the semifinals, 19-13. Ware thus edged ahead of Screven to second place, and Commerce continued fourth.

Only two changes took place in 64-team Class B. Morgan County tumbled two spaces to third behind Fort Valley and Blakely, the latter having nipped fourth-place Claxton in the South Georgia playoffs, 9-6.

Coosa and Lincolnton already were one-two in 35-team Class C. And idle Warren 1/2 County inched ahead of Jones County into third place. Otherwise there were no changes.

We picked all five state title games correctly and finished with a 23-6 overall playoff picking mark (.800). Overall, we had our second finest season: 956 wins, 175 losses for an .848 median.

Roberts Ratings

1961 SEASON FINAL

CLASS AAA

1. Valdosta (12-0-0)
2. R. E. Lee (10-2-1)
3. Murphy (9-2-1)
4. Richmond Acad. (9-1-2)
5. Southwest (9-2-0)
6. Northside (8-2-0)
7. Brown (9-1-0)
8. Benedictine (7-2-2)
9. Avondale (9-1-0)
10. North Fulton (8-2-0)

CLASS AA

1. Waycross (12-1-0)
2. Westminster (10-2-0)
3. Rossville (8-2-3)
4. Gainesville (11-0-1)
5. Cedartown (8-2-1)
6. Fairburn (9-1-1)
7. Fitzgerald (6-3-1)
8. Lafayette (8-2-0)
9. Bainbridge (7-2-2)
10. Thomasville (5-5-0)

CLASS A

1. Carrollton (13-0-0)
2. Ware County (8-3-1)
3. Screven County (10-1-0)
4. Commerce (9-3-0)

CLASS B

5. Americus (8-1-2)
6. Dublin (4-3-1)
7. Trion (9-2-0)
8. Toocoa (9-1-1)
9. Central Gwinnett (7-1-2)
10. St. Pius (7-1-1)
1. Fort Valley (13-0-0)
2. Blakely (12-1-0)
3. Morgan County (11-1-1)
4. Claxton (11-1-0)
5. Thomson (8-0-2)
6. Wash.-Wilkes (8-1-1)
7. Tucker (9-2-0)
8. North Cobb (8-3-0)
9. Blackshear (9-2-0)
10. Glennville (8-2-0)

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1. Coosa of Rome (12-0-0)
2. Lincolnton (10-2-0)
3. Warren County (8-2-0)
4. Jones County (9-2-1)
5. Chatham Co. Val. (8-2-0)
6. Bremen (8-2-0)
7. Putnam County (7-2-1)
8. Wrightsville (8-2-0)
9. Louisville (7-2-1)
10. Dade County (5-2-2)

Grid Mentors Already Thinking About 1962

Wright Bazemore is devoting many of his afternoons to bird hunting and Carlton Adams and Warren Alexander are busy these days coaching basketball.

But all three are, at times, thinking of next September when the 1962 high school grid campaign will get underway.

Bazemore is grid boss of the Valdosta High Wildcats, Adams is football chief for the Lowndes County Golden Eagles and Alexander directs Hahira's gridiron Tigers.

All have finished their football work for this season. And all have already started thinking about next year. Figuring some of the football fans might also be thinking ahead to the '62 football campaign, let's see how the situations might be for the 'Cats, Eagles and Tigers.

The Wildcats have a 24-game winning streak they would like to extend. They also will have their sights on their third straight Class AAA crown next fall.

However, when the '62 campaigns gets underway they will be without the services of halfback Jerry Varnado, fullback Butch Luke, quarterback Bruce Bennett, end Don DeLoach, guard Gary Minchew, end Rusty Griffin, tackle Skipper Prewitte, guard Frank Wetherington, guard David Tindall, tackle Larry Dennis, and end Bunky Henry.

Departure of this group will leave three defensive posts and four offensive positions to fill if the 'Cats are to continue with the two-team system which has worked so well for them.

All of the seniors are going to be missed, but the loss of Bennett is certain to hurt the most. I don't think it is necessary at this stage to point out the role Bennett played in the Wildcats' two state championship efforts. Let's just say he and all the seniors did their part.

Some of this season's top performers will be missing, but the 'Cats will start the '62 season well stocked with experienced performers of proven ability.

This isn't to say the 'Cats can breeze to another title. However, using one of Bazemore's pet phrases, next season Valdosta should have a good team and make it interesting for the fans.

Pressure To Be On 'Cats

"We lose some mighty good boys and we return some mighty good ones," Bazemore said. "How will we do next year? Well, we have some big gaps to fill. The boys that return are going to have to improve and some who didn't play too much this year are going to have to come through. Our team is going to have a senior flavor. If the boys get cocky and don't strive for improvement we could certainly get our ears pinned back."

"The pressure is going to be on. We have that winning streak going and we've won two championships in a row. Everyone's going to be primed and ready for us. We had the same kind of pressure on us this year, but the boys bowed their back and came through. I hope they can do the same thing against next year, but we will have to wait and see."

Adams' LOHI Eagles had a sparkling 7-2-1 record this season while campaigning at the Class A level. Next year they are going to move up to "AA". They will be facing stiffer competition.

Missing next time out will be quarterback Ted Rodgers, end Tommy Anderson, quarterback Calvin VanVlakte, center David Cowart, guard Edgar Greene, end Mike Neal, guard Jerome Blanton, center Paul England and tackle Willie Terrell Sims.

As in the case of the 'Cats, the Eagles aren't losing too many players, but a lot of talent is going to depart the scene.

Eagles May Lack Depth

The Eagles will be hit hard at quarterback and center. Depth in experienced performers will be lacking.

LOHI had some promising young players on its squad this year, but only a few got to see front-line action.

"A lack of depth hurt us this past season," Adams said. "When we move up to 'AA' depth is going to be more important than ever. We have some youngsters who show promise, but I'm afraid they might not be ready by next fall. With us moving to a higher classification, I'm just not sure what to expect."

The young Hahira team which compiled a 1-9 record this year was top-heavy with freshmen and sophomores. However, the Tigers had four talented seniors, backs Larry Davis, Jimmy Kutzli and Gerald Chason and lineman David Reed, who are certain to be missed next fall.

"Perhaps our won-loss record didn't show it, but we made a lot of improvement this season," Alexander said. "We hope to make even more improvement in 1962. But a lot of sophomores are going to have to carry the load. In our league it's mighty hard to win with sophomores. So it looks like we still might be a season or two away. But the boys had fine spirit this year. If they keep that perhaps we can surprise a few folks in '62."



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South Grid Monopoly Ends As North Wins Two Crowns

Coosa, Fort Valley Triumph; Valdosta, Waycross Retain Titles

By GENE ASHER

North Georgia prep football stock is going up.

Rock-bottom the past four years, it began to move last Friday night as Coosa of Rome and Fort Valley smashed the south's championship monopoly.

Not since 1957 when Northside captured the AAA crown and Trion the B title have two northern teams been able to mount the pedestal.

Coosa dethroned State Class C king Lincolnton, 21-0, and Fort Valley slammed a defensive vise on perennial B power Blakely, 6-0.

The old reliables kept the south's banner flying high, however. Coach Wright Bazemore's incredible Valdosta Wildcats won their second successive AAA championship as quarterback Bruce Bennett and three teams were down inspired R. E. Lee, 34-13, and Coach Earl (Hurry Up) O'Neal's Waycross Bulldogs did in game Rossville, 23-7, for their second straight AA crown.

The state's other classification—A—was to be decided Saturday night in Waycross where Ware County was to host north Georgia winner Carrollton.

Coosa became the first north Georgia team since 1958 to occupy the Class C throne as Doug Trapp raced for 105 yards, intercepted a pass to stop a Lincolnton drive, and scored one touchdown himself on a 10-yard run. The other scores came on a one-yard burst by Bill Rucker and a 45-yard pass from Ted Goss to Larry Gore.

The victory was the 23rd straight for Coach Branch Bragg's Eagles and marked a perfect finish for their Class C play. They step into higher classification next season.

Jody Hardeman, a sophomore halfback, scored the only touchdown on a 13-yard run as Coach Norman Faircloth's Fort Valley Green Wave captured its second major state crown in one season. It took the basketball title last March.



Gene Asher

Alert end Rusty Tomlinson made the touchdown possible when he unloaded on Blakely halfback Gene White, separating him from the football and making the recovery at the Blakely 21.

Quarterback Bruce Bennett, playing his usual stupendous game, directed all five Valdosta touchdown drives, tallied twice himself, threw two touchdown passes and gained 141 yards on 24 carries as Valdosta rolled to its 24th consecutive win and ninth state title.

R. E. Lee gave all it had but had only one team to Valdosta's three and no Bennett. Neither did it have a Billy Myddleton, Billy Schoer or Butch Luke, who were terrors on defense.

The Lees had every reason to be proud, however. They forced Valdosta to punt three times in one quarter, something no other club did all season. Chiefly responsible were Donnie Wilder, Ben Daniel and Lamar Dye who kept the pressure on for three quarters. They also used one of Valdosta's favorite plays—the long touchdown run. Gaines Wilson returned a third quarter kickoff 90 yards

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score to bring Lee within one point of the lead with only 3:45 left in the third period.

The jaunt was Lee's last. It tired at the finish and the Wildcats, fresh from the two-platoon system, struck for touchdowns the next three times it had the ball.

Junior David Barber filled in magnificently for Waycross' hobbled ace, Marvin Hurst. He went 19 yards for one touchdown, gained 121 yards in six carriers, and passed for 84 yards, including a 56-yard TD strike to Hurst. He also punted twice for a 40.5 yard average.

Dennis McAlum accounted for Waycross' other touchdown on a three-yard run and Newton Bates added a 24-yard field goal.

Coach Frank Fabris' Rossville Bulldogs, who came much further than anyone anticipated, scored in the third period on a two-yard run by Clyde Cannon.

VHS, Hahira, LOHI See Action Tonight

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

For prep teams in the area, the basketball wheels are starting to spin faster and faster.

This week's slate calls for 16 doubleheaders involving area teams.

Here's the way the tally sheet reads:

Tonight — Valdosta at Echols County (Statenville), Lowndes County at Brooks County (Quitman), Lanier County (Lakeland) at Hahira, Clinch County (Homer-ville) at Georgia Christian School

(Dasher), Berrien County (Nashville) at Atkinson County (Pearson), Cook (Adel) at Irwin County (Ocilla).

Friday — Valdosta at Warner Robins, Echols at Lowndes, Hahira at Cook, Jasper, Fla., at Georgia Christian, Berrien at Tifton, Clinch at Broxton, Lanier County at Moultrie.

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Saturday—Hahira at Valdosta, Lowndes at Ware County (Waycross), Broxton at Lanier County.

When Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens go against Echols County at Statenville tonight, they will be getting their first taste of action since Nov. 18. That was when they opened their season with victories over Hahira.

Friday's games for the VHS sextet and quintet at Warner Robins will be the first Region 1-AAA tests for coach Bill Kittrell's 'Cats and coach Bill Davis' Kittens.

The Wildcats moved a step closer to full strength Monday when Clio Blanton, Rick Thomas, Foy Norwood and Stan Reaves joined the squad. Expected to join the fold later this week are Wally Colson and Bill Schroer. Football kept these six busy through last Friday night.

Lowndes County's Golden Eagles and Brooks' Tigers will be risking perfect records when they tangle tonight at Quitman. The Eagles have won four straight. The Tigers are unbeaten after three starts. The Brooks girls have also won three in a row, while the LOHI sextet has an 0-4 chart.

Hahira's Tigers have ambitions to halt a four-game losing skid when they face Lanier County's young, but fast improving Bulldogs tonight at Hahira. The Hahira girls have a 1-3 record.

Clinch County's Panthers will risk their 4-0 record against the Georgia Christian School Generals at Dasher tonight. The GCS boys have a 5-4 mark. The Clinch girls are 3-1 and the GCS sextet has a 3-2 record.

Prep basketball action in the area will move along at a swift pace on into mid-December. Then the high school cagers will break for the Christmas holidays. There will be some tournament action during the holidays, then in early January regular season play will resume.

Wildcats, Kittens Romp Past Echols

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

STATENVILLE — Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens went on scoring sprees as they rolled past Echols County in a basketball doubleheader here Tuesday night.

Coach Bill Kittrell's 'Cats posted a 77-48 win. Coach Bill Davis' Kittens gained a 72-28 triumph. The victories were the second in as many starts this year for both Valdosta teams.

In the girls game, Valdosta built up a 17-point lead in the first quarter and was never in danger of losing the advantage after that.

In the boys contest, Echols managed to stick close to the Wildcats for two quarters. VHS had only a six-point edge at the half. But the Wildcats turned on the steam in the third and fourth periods to win by a comfortable margin.

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Alvie Steele and Leo Wells each hit for 22 points to spark the Wildcats' attack. Bill Wisenbaker, with nine markers, and Foy Norwood, with eight, were next in line. A total of 10 VHS players broke into the scoring column.

Offense leaders for Echols were James Swilley, 13, and Gary Strickland, 19.

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The trio of Barbara Knolls, Lucille Dawson and Betty McClenny sparked the Kittens' attack. Knolls scored 26 points, Dawson 24 and McClenny 12. The VHS guards limited the Echols sextet to just 17 points in the first half.

Mary Staten tallied 12 points to become high scorer for the Echols sextet.

GIRLS

Valdosta	27	45	63	72
Echols	10	17	23	28

VALDOSTA (72) — Knoll 26, Dawson 24, McClenny 12, Potts 5, S. Martin 1, DeLoach 2, S. Smith 2, M. Smith, R. Martin, Hamell, Shenton, Bazemore, Anderson, Quattlebaum, Rodgers, Harris, Greer, Gleason.

ECHOLS (28) — Staten 12, Anderson 9, Herndon 7, Pettyjohn, Quick, Smith, Raulerson, Roberts, Petty.

BOYS

Valdosta	18	32	53	77
Echols	10	26	34	48

VALDOSTA (77) — A. Steele 22, Wells 22, Wisenbaker 9, Norwood 8, Blanton 4, Johnson 4, Reaves 2, Thomas 2, Colson 2, Watson 2, B. Steele, Lindstrom, Holloway.

ECHOLS (48) — Swilley 13, Strickland 19, Taylor 4, Carter 7, Daniels 3, Herring 2.

'Dogs and 'Cats Gain Big Georgia Raves

By BOB PRICE
Times-Union Sports Writer

Waycross and Valdosta are popping vest buttons today in admiration of the Bulldogs and Wildcats, who accomplished what so many people believed to be impossible—retain Georgia high school football championships in classes AA and AAA respectively.

Waycross, which had its back to the wall in midseason, due to a pair of forfeits, displayed true championship colors by beating a good, fired-up Rossville, 23-7, at Waycross Memorial Stadium before over 6,000 fans.

Unbeaten in 24 Outings

Valdosta, which hasn't lost in 24 outings, wrapped up their AAA flag the hard way by defeating a "ready" Robert E. Lee on the Rebels' home field at Thomaston, 34-13.

In other Friday night title affairs, Fort Valley annexed the class B crown with Coosa winning the C flag. Fort Valley nudged Blakely-Union, 6-0 and Coosa routed defending class C champion Lincolnton, 21-0.

Waycross followers who tabbed Marvin Hurst, the Bulldogs' chief point maker the past two seasons, with the nickname of "Marvelous," came up with a pair of new tags and now chant "Dandy" David Barber and "Jumping" Joe McQuaig. It was this twosome who took up the slack when the Bulldogs had to rest Hurst due to two bad knees, one swollen twice its normal size.

Line Has Big Say Too

The Bulldogs' line also had a big say in the outcome of the Rossville contest and "Rapid" Robert Smith, "Fearless" Felix Haynes, "Larripin" Larry Jordan and "Bouncing" Billy Long were the defensive leaders as Waycross kept Rossville's offense corralled on all but one occasion,

WHS's second consecutive AA championship was a fitting climax to the high school careers of Dennis McCalum, Mike Zachry, Taylor Zachry, who had to sit out the finale due to a bad knee, Jack Cannon, Haynes, Long, Jordan, McQuaig, Ronald Gorday, and Hurst. AA schools might like to know Coach Earl O'Neal figures to have a larger ball club, especially in the line, next year, but won't have quite as much talented depth.

Bazemore Looking Ahead

Coach Wright Bazemore has just finished his 21st year as head mentor of Valdosta's Wildcats, but is singing "wait till next year" after his junior loaded Wildcats notched their second straight AAA title. Valdosta is no stranger to the state championship circle, having ruled AA ranks with an iron fist before graduating to the state's highest classification.

All-State quarterback Bruce Bennett didn't let his backers down in the AAA finale as he rambled through Lee's defenses for 141 yards in 24 carries. Bennett, who has added "legs" to his pre-season tag of the "arm," gained clutch yardage on his pet rollout play around end. He also kept the enemy forces honest with his rifle-like shots and accounted for one TD on a 35-yard heave to Stan Reaves.

Valdosta, which was held on about even terms for the first three quarters, completely dominated play in the fourth period and finished the game with a big edge both in the score and in statistics. The Wildcats piled up seven first downs to four for Lee and gained 355 yards rushing to 37 for the Rebels. The Rebels only bright spot was in passing, where they led 71 to 70, but even in this department, Valdosta loomed dangerous by intercepting a pair of tosses.

Foy Norwood, Bill Schroer,

and Bill Myddleton were the forewall leaders for Valdosta. Schroer and Myddleton were all-staters. Bennett and Schroer will be the two major losses by graduation before Valdosta starts its try for a third straight AAA bunting next September.

Fort Valley's punters — Jody Hardeman and Tee Faircloth, the coach's son, kept Blakely in hot water. Hardeman got off a quick-kick that was downed on the Blakely one and Faircloth booted one 47 yards to put the Bobcats back deep in their territory.

Blakely, which had mowed down 12 straight foes this season, never seriously threatened. The Greenies had been to the Bobcat 10 on one occasion before Hardeman scooted 13-yards for the game's only score.

Doug Trapp refused to be trapped by Lincolnton, and accounted for 105 of the Romans' 157 yards in 17 carries as he led his club to its 12th straight victory. Quarterback Tad Goss and Larry Gore teamed on a 45-yarder for the clinching TD.

VALDOSTA DEFEATS LEE, GETS AAA TITLE

Bennett Leads South Georgians To 34-13 Victory Over Rebs

By GENE ASHER
Atlanta Journal Staff Writer

THOMASTON, Ga., Dec. 2—Georgia Tech had football's strongest bench Saturday.

Sitting on it were Coach Wright Bazemore's Valdosta Wildcats who won their 24th consecutive game and second successive State Class AAA high school championship here Friday night at Matthews Field. The score was 34-13 and R. E. Lee's fiercely determined but out-manned Rebels were the victims.

Taking off like a covey of birds on every play, the Wildcats exploded for three second half touchdowns to wrap up their ninth state title in the last 14 years. Some 10,000 fans watched.

This marked the 11th time in 12 games Valdosta had scored three or more touchdowns and the ninth time it had scored at least four.

Among the spectators was Tech Coach Bobby Dodd, who will have the entire Valdosta squad as his guest for the battle against Georgia. This should be most comforting to Dodd. These Wildcats have never sat on a losing bench and they have four of the finest football players in the state—quarterback Bruce Bennett, an All-America if there ever was one, and Billy Schroer, Billy Myddleton and Butch Luke, three defensive terrors. Myddleton and Schroer are juniors.

Bennett, who wants to be an engineer, directed all five Valdosta scoring drives, tallied twice himself, threw two touchdown passes, and gained 141 yards on 24 carries. Every time Valdosta needed key yardage, Bennett ran the ball. He never failed to make ground.

But the victory did not come easy by any means. Lee, fired to a fever pitch by 11,000 citizens, gave the Wildcats all they wanted for almost three quarters. But where Lee used 15 players, the Wildcats used 34 and gradually wore the host down. Lee gained only two yards the second half.

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THIS DIFFERENCE in depth was the big difference, although

Lee, like every other team the Wildcats have faced the past two seasons, never could completely stop Bennett or the relentless pursuit of Schroer, Myddleton and Luke.

So intent upon making a good showing were the Rebels that they suffered three knockout blows and never let one faze them. Eight of the starting 11 went home from school Friday with "virus." Halfback Jimmy Cavan, the coach's son and the team's most prolific runner, suffered a fractured rib midway in the second quarter and had to leave. And quarterback Tommy Dews received a leg injury in the third quarter and never was at full strength again. But the Rebels attacked with fury from the start and never let up.

When Cavan left, substitute Lamar Dyche came on and threw a 28-yard touchdown pass to Bill Thompson which put his mates within one point of the lead at halftime, 7-6. And when Dews was hurt, fullback Gaines Wilson furnished the spark with a 90-yard touchdown run on a kickoff return which closed another gap to one point, 14-13, late in the third quarter.

Wilson's return was the last Lee spark. The next three times the Wildcats got the ball they scored, Bennett leading marches of 60, 45 and 30 yards. He scored once on a 1-yard run, handed off to Stan Reaves for the next score and threw eight yards to Wally Colson for the last.

Smith, a junior, sparkled offensively for the Wildcats, gaining 75 yards in 10 carries. Like Bennett, he picked up key yards. He set up a third-quarter touchdown with a twisting, turning 28-yard run to the Lee 20.

In between, Schroer, Myddleton and Luke were stacking up Rebels at the scrimmage line. Luke set up the last score with an intercepted pass.

So successful was the Lee defense that Valdosta was forced to punt three times in the second quarter, a record. Chiefly re-

YARDSTICK	
VALDOSTA (34)	R. E. LEE (13)
17	First Downs
285	Yards Rushing
70	Yards Passing
25	Yards Penalized

sponsible were Donnie Wilder, Ben Daniel and Dyche.

Valdosta scored the first time it had possession. Bennett rolled right, left, and right again for 42 yards and a touchdown. Giles Smith kicked his first of four extra points and the score stood 7-0 until 1:03 was left in the second quarter.

LEE MARCHED 56 yards in five plays. Thompson, on the scoring pass from Dyche, met

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a defender at the Valdosta five, gave him a hip fake to the right, then to the left all the way in the end zone.

Late in the third quarter, Bennett hit Reaves with a 36-yard touchdown pass but before Valdosta fans had stopped cheering the play, Wilson had hauled the ensuing kickoff back 90 yards for a touchdown.

Wilson's run was one of the night's best. He came up the middle full speed, slowed down to fake out the first of two defenders, turned it on again, slowed and twisted for the other attacker, then poured it on to the end zone.

Valdosta Cagers Face WR Friday

Lowndes To Host Echols; Hahira Playing At Adel

Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens face their initial Region 1-AAA tests of the season at Warner Robins Friday night in a top attraction on this weekend's slate for area prep basketball teams.

The Friday night schedule also calls for Echols County (Statenville) to play at Lowndes County, Hahira at Cook (Adel), Jasper, Fla., at Georgia Christian School (Dasher), Berrien County (Nashville) at Tifton, Clinch County (Homerville) at Broxton and Lanier County (Lakeland) at Moultrie.

On Saturday Hahira will be at Valdosta, Lowndes County at Ware County (Waycross) and Broxton at Lanier County.

Coach Bill Kittrell's VHS Wildcats and coach Bill Davis' Kittens have knocked off a pair of non-region foes, Hahira and Echols, during the early going. But both will be in for stiff competition at Warner Robins.

Warner Robins' Demons are defending Region 1 - AAA boys champs. Davis' Kittens beat the Robins girls twice last season, but only by tissue paper thin margins.

There are just four teams in the race for the 1-AAA girls' title. They are Valdosta, Warner Robins, Moultrie and Albany. They settle the title issue on the basis of regular season records. So a triumph tomorrow night is a must for Davis' young charges if they want to remain in position to challenge for the regional title again. The Kittens are 1-AAA and

state Class AAA defending champs.

The 1-AAA boys championship is decided in a post-season tournament. But regular season records in league games decide the tourney pairings. So the Wildcats have a lot at stake in their game with the Demons.

On Saturday when the 'Cats and Kittens go against Hahira, they will be making their 1961-62 home court debut.

Coach Carlton Adams' Eagles, who sport a five-game unbeaten streak, face a pair of rugged tests this weekend. After hosting tough Echols County on Friday, they go to Waycross on Saturday for a match with 1-A (East) opponent Ware County. Ware's Gators are 1-A (East) title favorites this year. The LOHI girls are winless after five outings, but hope to halt their skid this weekend.

Hahira's Tigers and Tigerettes will be meeting Cook tomorrow night at Adel fresh from a pair of wins over Lanier County. The Tigers have a 1-4 record while the Cook Hornets they will be facing have a 3-2 chart. Cook's girls have won five in a row. The Hahira sextet has a 2-3 mark.

Clinch's Panthers will be out to extend a five-game winning streak while the Pantherettes hope to improve on an already fine 4-1 record against Broxton Friday in Broxton. Clinch swept a doubleheader with Broxton earlier in the season.

Lanier County, a Class C entry, will be meeting a "AAA" opponent in its doubleheader at Moultrie tomorrow night.

LOHI Hosts Echols; VHS, Hahira Travel

Lowndes County will be at "home" while Valdosta and Hahira hit the "road" for prep basketball action tonight.

LOHI will host Echols County (Statenville). Valdosta will be at Warner Robins and Hahira at Cook (Adel).

In other games tonight Jasper, Fla., will be at Georgia Christian School (Dasher), Berrien County (Nashville) at Tifton, Clinch County (Homerville) at Broxton and Lanier County (Lakeland) at Moultrie.

Saturday's slate calls for Hahira to play at Valdosta, Lowndes County at Ware County (Waycross) and Broxton at Lanier County.

Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens will get their first Region 1-AAA tests of the new season at Warner Robins tonight. The Warner Robins boys are defending 1-AAA champs. The Warner Robins girls are rated as one of the teams to

beat in the race for this year's 1-AAA girls' title race. VHS' Kittens are defending 1-AAA and state champs.

On Saturday when VHS plays host to Hahira, the 'Cats and Kittens will be making their home court debut this year.

The Valdosta cagers have beaten non-league opponents Hahira and Echols County in their only outings so far this season.

Lowndes County's Golden Eagles will carry a five-game victory string into the duel with Echols County tonight. On Saturday, the Eagles will be meeting the 1-A (West) boys title favorite when they tackle Ware's Gators. The LOHI girls have ambitions to halt a five-game losing skid.

Hahira's Tigers and Tigerettes will play Cook tonight at Adel, fresh from victories over Lanier County. Cook's girls are unbeaten after five starts. The Hornets

have a 3-2 record. The Tigers are 1-4 and the Tigerettes have a 2-3 chart.

Jasper, after dropping a close decision to Madison and Georgia Christian, which was edged by Clinch on Tuesday night, will be trying to rebound when they tangle tonight at Dasher. GCS's Generals have a 5-5 record.

Clinch's Panthers will put a perfect 5-0 record on the line and the Pantherettes go after their fifth win in six starts tonight at Broxton. Lanier County will be going against Class AAA foes at Moultrie.



—Times Staff Photo

Wildcats Receive King-Size Message Of Congratulations from Thomaston Football Fans

R. E. Lee's Rebels bowed to Valdosta's Wildcats in the state Class AAA football playoff game last Friday, but the Thomaston fans hold no hard feeling. To prove it, they sent the 'Cats a message of congratulations in the form of a street banner. Holding the 50-foot long "message" are (L to R) Gary Minchew, coach Wright Bazemore, Bruce Bennett, Giles Smith, Frank Wetherington, Butch Luke, Bill Myddleton, Bill Schroer, coach Bill Kittrell and Stan Reaves.

Wildcats Trip Demons; Kittens Suffer Defeat

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

WARNER ROBINS — Valdosta's Wildcats raced to a 69-60 victory over Warner Robins' Demons in a Region 1-AAA basketball test here last night.

For VHS's youthful Kittens it was a night of disappointment. They dropped a 57-52 decision to Robins' talented sextet. Robins

The Valdosta Wildcats and Kittens will meet Hahira's Tigers and Tigerettes in a doubleheader starting at 7 o'clock here tonight at the VHS gym. The Valdosta cagers will be making their first "home" appearance of the season.

built up its winning margin at the foul line. The loss was the first in three starts for the Kittens.

Coach Bill Kittrell's 'Cats offered a balanced attack as they knocked off the Demons, the defending 1-AAA boys champs, and stretched their unbeaten string to three games.

The Kittens' setback was a heart-breaker. It stacked the odds against coach Bill Davis' charges in their bid to repeat as 1-AAA girls champs. The 1-AAA girls title is decided on the basis of regional games played during the regular season. The four teams in the race each play just six league contests.

In the boys affair, Alvie Steele swished the nets for 21 points, Leo Wells scored 15, Tommy Johnson accounted for 13 and Bill Wisenbaker clicked for 10 to lead the Valdosta attack. They got plenty of help from Mark Holloway, 4; Wally Colson, 2; Rick Thomas, 2; Mike Watson, 2; Stan Reaves and Clyo Blanton.

Skip Heath, with 17 points, was the Demons' offense leader.

The Wildcats scored 28 field goals and hit 13 of 25 free throws. They were charged with 24 fouls. Robins got 21 field goals and made good on 18 of 31 tries from the charity line. The Demons were charged with 21 fouls.

In the girls game, the Kittens finished with a 23-21 edge in field goals. But the Robins sextet sank 15 free throws in 26 tries while the VHS sextet made only six points on 13 shots from the foul line. The Kittens were charged with 20 fouls. They lost two starters via the five-fouls route. Robins drew only 11 fouls.

Barbara Knoll, 24; Lucille Dawson, 18, and Betty McClenny, 10, were offense leaders for the Kittens. Eulouise Hamell, Jane Baze-

more, Diane Quattlebaum, Margaret Smith and Russell Martin also helped the VHS cause.

The trio of Pat Kirksey, 20; Virginia Watson, 14; and Ruth Thompson, 20, were scoring leaders for Robins.

GIRLS	
Valdosta	13 27 39 52
Warner Robins	18 32 40 57
VALDOSTA (52) —	Knoll 24, Dawson

18, McClenny 10, Hamill, Bazemore, Quattlebaum, M. Smith, Martin.
WARNER ROBINS (57) — Kirksey 20, Watson 14, Thompson 20, Pritchett 3, Dixon, King, Story.

BOYS	
Valdosta	22 34 54 69
Warner Robins	14 30 47 60
VALDOSTA (69) —	A. Steele 21, Wells 15, Johnson 13, Wisenbaker 10, Holloway 4, Colson 2, Thomas 2, Watson 2, Reaves, Blanton.

WARNER ROBINS (60) — Heath 17, Hunter 12, Clarence 8, Cecil 7, Knight 5, Haribb, Muha 3, Wilson 4.

'Cats, Tigerettes Hardwood Victors

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta's Wildcats kept their unbeaten string going and Hahira's Tigerettes pulled off a surprise with victories in a basketball doubleheader here Saturday night.

Coach Bill Kittrell's 'Cats rolled to a 66-41 win over coach Jack Jarrard's Tigers from Hahira. It was the fourth triumph in as many outings for the VHS quintet. The Tigers now have a 1-6 record.

In the girls game, coach Warren Alexander's Tigerettes won 43-41 in a duel with coach Bill Davis' young Valdosta Kittens. With the triumph, the Hahira sextet avenged a loss they suffered at the hands of the Kittens earlier in the season. The win was the third in seven starts for the Hahira girls. The Kittens now have a 2-2 mark.

In the boys game, Valdosta jumped off to an early 7-0 lead and the Wildcats were never headed after that. A dozen players saw action for 'Dosta, and 10 broke into the scoring column. Point leaders were Leo Wells, 20; Alvie Steele, 12; Bill Wisenbaker, 14, and Clyo Blanton, 9. David Sorrells and David Reeves each hit for 17 points to lead the Tigers' offense.

The game was a spirited, rough-and-tumble affair. VHS was charged with 29 fouls and Hahira with 14. The 'Cats made 26 field goals and hit on 14 or 19 tries from the foul line. The Tigers scored 11 field goals and made 19 of 38 free throws.

The girls game was close all the way. In the second half the lead changed hands seven times. With just over two minutes to go, Hahira built up a five-point lead, then withstood a determined rally by the Kittens to win.

The Tigerettes' Linda Stalvey put on a sparkling offensive show to score 33 points. Weillene

Coombs got eight and Linda Cowart two to help the Hahira cause. The guard trio of Betty Yanconish, Linda Bass and Alene Legette sparkled on defense, especially in the second half.

Lucille Dawson, with 21 points, and Barbara Knoll, with 14, were offense leaders for the Kittens.

Valdosta finished with a 19-15 edge in field goals. But the Tigerettes made up for it at the foul line. Hahira sank 13 of 17 foul shots while Valdosta made good on just three of five tries from the free throw line. The Kittens were charged with 13 fouls and the Tigerettes with seven.

GIRLS	
Valdosta	17 29 35 41
Hahira	18 26 35 41
VALDOSTA (41) —	Dawson 21, McClenny 4, Knoll 12, Smith 4, Martin, Bazemore, Quattlebaum, Rodgers, Harri-Geer.

HAHIRA (43) — Stalvey 33, Yanconish, Bass, Coombs 8, Legette, Cowart, Martin.

BOYS	
Valdosta	18 34 51 66
Hahira	8 18 28 41

VALDOSTA (66) — A. Steele 12, Wisenbaker 14, Lindstrom, Watson 1, Thomas 1, Holloway 5, Reeves 3, Blanton 9, Colson 1, Johnson, Wells 20, B. Steele.

HAHIRA (41) — Sorrells 17, Reeves 17, Tucker 1, Bass 2, Keel 2, Nichols, Bazemore 2, Parham, Lehman, Roberts.

Valdosta's Leo Wells 1-AAA's Point Leader

By ELWOOD MOYER

COLUMBUS—On the basis of early, but incomplete returns, Valdosta's Leo Wells is leading in the Region 1-AAA's individual basketball scoring race.

In two games that have been compiled, Wells tallied a total of 50 points for a 25.0 average. The 5 - 11 Wildcat senior hit for 28 points in VHS' opener against Hahira and tallied 22 markers against Echols County.

In second place is Columbus' Jerry Smith with a 24.0 average. Holding down third place with an 18.5 average is Jordan's Lawton Garnto.

Another Valdostan, Alvie Steele, holds down sixth place with a 15.50 average after two games.

Scoring leaders follow:

	G.	Pts.	Avg.
1. Wells, Valdosta	2	50	25.00
2. Smith, Columbus	2	48	24.00
3. Garnto, Jordan	2	37	18.50
4. Dodgen, Albany	3	54	18.00
5. Heath, Warner			
Robins	3	49	16.33
6. Steele, Valdosta	2	31	15.50
7. W. Tucker, Moultrie	2	29	14.50
8. Channell, Warner			
Robins	3	42	14.00
9. Hill, Albany	2	27	13.50
10. Williams, Jordan	2	24	12.00
11. Hurston, Jordan	2	23	11.50
12. Mitchell, Columbus	2	21	10.50
13. Muha, Warner	3	26	8.67
14. Hunter, Warner			
Robins	3	25	8.33
15. Mahaffey, LaGrange	2	16	8.00
16. Lord, LaGrange	2	16	8.00
17. Gaines, Willingham	3	22	7.50
18. Gillam, LaGrange	2	15	7.50
19. Benson, Albany	3	22	7.33
20. Croft, Moultrie	4	31	7.75
21. Passmore, Moultrie	4	29	7.25
22. Rossman, Moultrie	4	29	7.25

VHS Meets Tifton; Hahira Faces Cook

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Action on the high school basketball front will slow down when the Christmas holidays begin — but that won't be happening for a while.

This week the area hardwood slate is crowded.

Tonight Valdosta will host Tifton, Berrien County (Nashville) will be at Hahira, White Springs, Fla., at Jennings, Fla., Omega at Lanier County (Lakeland),

Clinch County (Homerville) at Atkinson County (Pearson), Cook (Adel) at Brooks County (Quitman) and Lake Butler, Fla., at Jasper, Fla.

Then on Friday Valdosta will be at Berrien, Hahira at Clinch, Ft. White, Fla., at Jennings, Lanier County at Nicholls and Thomasville at Cook.

Saturday's slate calls for the Valdosta girls to play at Coffee County (Douglas) and the Lowndes County boys to be at Madison, Fla.

Teams representing two area schools, Echols County and Georgia Christian, will be idle this week.

Coach Bill Kittrell's Valdosta Wildcats will have their sights on their fifth straight win and coach Bill Davis' youthful VHS Kittens (2-2) hope to halt a two-game losing skid when they go against Tifton's Imps and Angels here tonight.

Valdosta and Tifton will meet in a doubleheader starting at 7 p. m. at the VHS gym.

Hahira's Tigers will carry a 1-6 record into their duel with the Berrien County Rebels at Hahira. The Tigerettes from Hahira, fresh from a victory over Valdosta, have a 2-4 mark.

Clinch County's Panthers have won six straight and hope to make it seven in a row at Pearson. It will be a crucial 1-B (East) test for coach Charlie Bennett's Homerville quintet. The Clinch girls have a sparkling 5-1 record.

The Cook-Brooks duel at Quitman is sure to bring out the fans. The Brooks boys are 4-1 and the Cook quintet has a 4-2 chart. Both the Brooks and Cook girls will be risking perfect records. Coach George Eanes' Quitman sextet has won five straight. The Cook girls have strung together six triumphs.

Lanier County's Bulldogs trimmed Broxton last Saturday to halt an eight-game losing streak. They hope to put victories back-to-back for the first time this year by trimming Omega's Blue Jays tonight. The Lanier County girls have a 3-6 record.

When Lowndes County's Golden Eagles swing into action Saturday night, they will be shooting for their eighth straight win. Madison's Red Devils have shown power during the early going. The Florida five knocked off Jasper and Jennings last week.



Wildcats' Swift Stan Reaves
He And Teammates Face Tifton Here Tonight

Wildcats, Kittens Turn Back Tifton

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens offered sharp defensive plays as they swept a basketball double-header with Tifton's Blue Devils and Angels here Tuesday night. Coach Bill Kittrell's Wildcats posted a 52-44 victory to stretch their unbeaten string to five games. Coach Bill Davis' Kittens triumphed, 50-43, to halt a two-game losing skid and boost their record for the season to 3-2.

The setback left the Imps with a 4-3 mark and the loss was the Angels' fourth in seven outings. The boys game was a nip-and-tuck affair during the early going. Valdosta went out at the half with a slim, three-point lead. But the Wildcats boosted their advantage to 12 points in the third stanza and were never in danger of losing the lead after that. Tifton owned a height advantage, but the 'Cats offset it with sharp defensive play. Attack leader for Valdosta was

Bill Wisenbaker with 20 points. He got both offensive and defensive help from Alvie Steele, 5; Mike Watson, Rick Thomas, 5; Mark Holloway, 2; Stan Reaves, Clyo Blanton, 4; Wally Colson, Tommy Johnson, 9; Leo Wells, 7 and Foy Norwood.

John Orr, with 19 points, set the offensive pace for the Imps. Gary Adams was next in line with 15 tallies.

The 'Cats scored 20 field goals and hit on 12 of 17 foul shots. They were charged with 22 fouls. Tifton scored 13 field goals and sank 18 of 31 free throws. The Imps were charged with 13 fouls.

Barbara Knoll swished the nets for 27 points, Lucille Dawson accounted for 19 markers and Betty McClenny got four tallies to pace the Kittens' attack.

The guard foursome of Russell Martin, Eulouise Hamill, Gail Bazemore and Diane Quattlebaum combined efforts for what Davis called the Kittens' "best defensive effort of the season."

Ann Thompson, with 17 points, and Sandra Mercer, with 13, paced the Angels in the scoring department.

Tifton jumped off to an early four-point lead in the game. But by the time the first stanza ended the Kittens were out front by four points. Valdosta went on to boost its lead to 11 points in the third period.

The Angels rallied early in the final stanza and closed the gap to five points. But the Kittens held firm and went on to claim a victory.

Valdosta scored 23 field goals and hit on four of seven free throws. The Kittens were charged with 14 fouls. Tifton made 15 field goals and sank 13 of 17 foul shots. The Angels were charged with eight fouls.

GIRLS

Valdosta	15	28	37	50
Tifton	11	19	27	43

VALDOSTA (50) — Dawson 19, McClenny 4, Knoll 27, Hamill, Bazemore, R. Martin, Quattlebaum.

TIFTON (43) — Thompson 17, Cottle 11, Mercer 13, Hand 2, Jones, Willis, Singletary.

BOYS

Valdosta	12	23	38	52
Tifton	10	20	26	44

VALDOSTA (52) — A. Steele 5, Wisenbaker 20, Watson, Thomas 5, Holloway 2, Reaves, Blanton 4, Johnson 9, Colson, Wells, Norwood.

TIFTON (44) — Orr 19, Brinson 2, Greer 5, Adams 15, Smith, Bruce 3.

Wildcats Whip Berrien, 74-26

Rebelettes 50-49 Winner Over Kittens In Thriller

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

ALAPAHA — Coach Bill Kittrell asked for defense and his Valdosta Wildcats filled the order to perfection as they turned back the Berrien County Rebels, 74-26, here Friday night.

In the girls game, Berrien's Rebelettes edged Valdosta's Kittens, 50-49. A pair of free throws hit by Jo Beth Johnson with only 30 seconds of playing time remaining gave the Nashville sextet its victory margin.

While winning their sixth in a row, the Wildcats turned in one of their top offensive performances of the season even though one of their leading scorers, Leo Wells, was forced to miss the contest because of illness.

But it was the 'Cats defensive effort which pleased Kittrell the most. The Wildcats limited the Rebels to just 10 points in the first half.

Last night's setback leveled the Kittens' record off at 3-3. Their three defeats have come by a total of just eight points.

A total of 10 players saw action for the Wildcats. Kittrell alternated a pair of five-man units. The scoring leaders were Alvie Steele, 19 points; Clyo Blanton, 12; Tommy Johnson, 12, and Bill Wisenbaker, 10. Rick Thomas, 6; Stan Reaves, 5; Mike Watson, 5;

Felton McCellan, with 14 tallies, was high scorer for the Rebs.

The girls game was a see-saw affair. Coach Bill Davis' Kittens owned a 10 point lead at the close of the first period. But the Rebelettes had cut that advantage to two markers by the time the opening half ended. Then Berrien moved off to a seven-point lead.

Valdosta rallied and with less than a minute to go deadlocked the score at 48-48. The Rebelettes took a 50-48 lead when Johnson hit on a pair of free throws with 30 seconds to go. The Kittens had a chance at a pair of foul shots with 15 seconds remaining. One was hit, the other missed and the Nashville lassies had their victory.

Johnson, with 20 points; Marsha Gaskins, 16, and Betty Jo Sanderson, 14, were offense leaders for Berrien. The guard trio of Lavern Gaskins, Carolyn Griffin and Joyce Jones sparkled on defense.

Lucile Dawson tallied 16 points, Betty McClenny hit for five and Barbara Knoll swished the nets for 28 to pace the Kittens' offensive effort. Guards Eulouise Hamill, Diane Quattlebaum, Gail Bazemore, Russell Martin and Susan Rodgers were the defensive stickouts.

The Kittens swing back into action tonight meeting the Coffee County girls at Douglas.

The Wildcats will be idle tonight. They will take a break for the Christmas holidays, returning to action in the Hahira Invitational tournament week after next.

WILDCATS WHIP 48 — Take 3 —

BOYS

Valdosta	18	29	43	74
Berrien	6	10	17	26

VALDOSTA (74) — A. Steele 19, Blanton 12, Johnson 12, Wisenbaker 10, Thomas 6, Reaves 5, Watson 5, Holloway 4, Norwood 2, Colson.

BERRIEN (26) — McClellan 14, Meiz 6, Griffin 2, Lavaun 2, Holland 2, Bennett, Solomon, Faglier, Mathews.

GIRLS

Valdosta	14	27	36	49
Berrien	6	25	43	50

VALDOSTA (49) — Dawson 16, McClenny 5, Knoll 28, Hamill, Quattlebaum, Bazemore, Martin, Rodgers.

BERRIEN (50) — M. Gaskins 14, Johnson 20, Sanderson 14, L. Gaskins, Griffin, Jones.

New Members Inducted In VHS Beta-Tri-Hi-Y Club

New members of the Valdosta High Beta Tri-Hi-Y club were inducted at an impressive ceremony Friday afternoon at 5 p. m. in the sanctuary of the First Christian Church.

Those inducted were Doni DiMascio, Phyllis Giles, Earl Mathis, Jane Mixer, Elaine Parrish, Harriet Price, Nancy Gambill, Mary Jo Sirmons, Ann Spurlock, Libby Sue Tanner, Becky Watson, Fran Woodward, Jennifer Schroer, Josephine Pendleton, Lynn Shelton, Kay Barker, Betty Potts, Marlene Taylor, Bobbie Catoe,

Alwyn Hamill, Starr Howell, Suzanne Ball, Norman Flythe, Dean Nichols, Barbara Reaves, Betty Brown, Ann Yorston, Kay Koch, Gloria Findly, Linda Marco, Pat Kirby, Sue Kirby, Syndal DeLoach, Dianne Bazemore, Jessie Mayne, Virginia Anderson, Donna Blanton, Benita Thomas and Pam La-hood.

Congratulations are in store for the following Valdosta High School students. . . Gail Bazemore and Bill Wisenbaker who were first place winners in the Elks Lodge Leadership Contest this week. . . Both are seniors. . . Nancy Garvin was selected DCT Sweetheart at VHS . . . and Bunky Henry and Butch Luke, popular VHS grid men, who have been offered football scholarships to Georgia Tech and the University of Georgia respectively. . . It adds a lot of prestige to our school when outstanding Wildcat players sign up with a state college or university. . .

Also at VHS students are staging a contest among the different classes to see what class can bring the most food and toys to be given to underprivileged children for Christmas. . . The barrels were full Friday and more is expected Monday and Tuesday. . . As a way of saying "thanks" to the class bringing the most, principal Howard Bridges has announced that that group of students will get out a period early Tuesday to begin the holidays. . .



Members Of Valdosta High School Band On Stage

Band And VHS Glee Club Will Perform For First Time This School Year In Auditorium On Friday

High School Band Slates 1st Concert

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High School band will present Friday its first concert of this school year.

The band will share a program with the school glee club. The program will begin at 8 p.m. in the school auditorium.

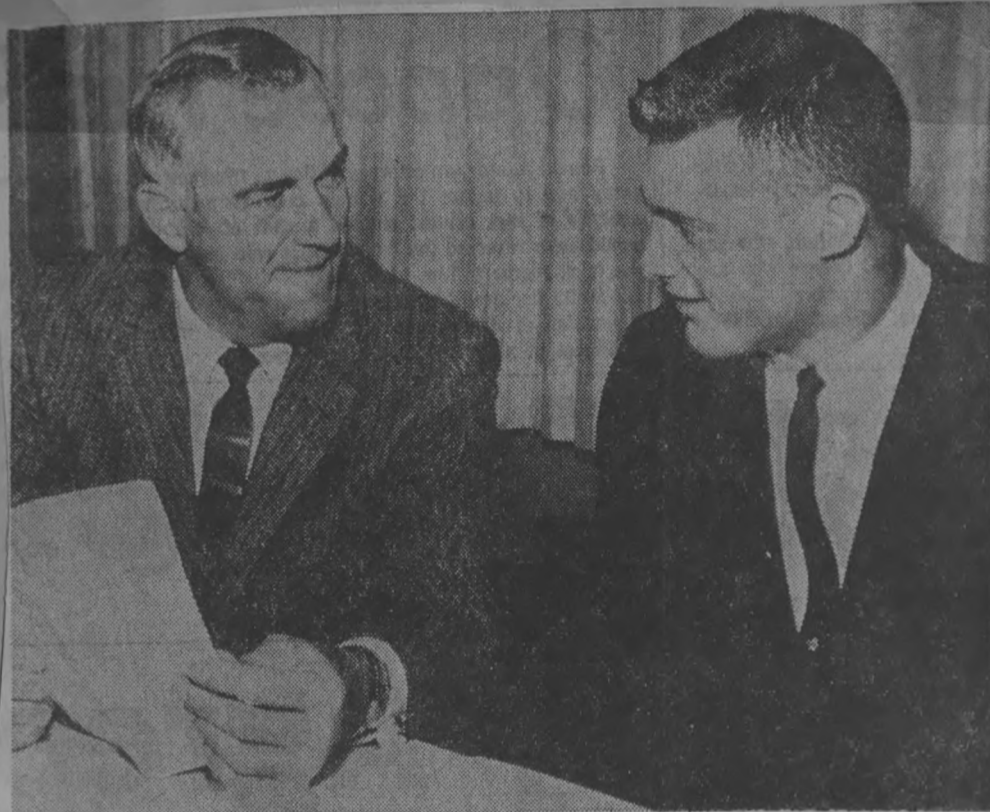
Band Director Steve Pyron pointed out this is the first opportunity for the VHS band to prepare a concert because of the length of the football season that brought the school the state championship.

The glee club is under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Jones.

The program will include the following numbers:

"White Christmas," by Irving Berlin; "An Ole English Christmas," by James D. Ployhar; "Three Christmas Carols," by John Kinyon; "Yuletide Festival" by Johnny Warrington; "Frosty the Snow Man;" and "Here Comes Santa Claus."

The performance will be open to the public without admission.



Florida's Head Coach Ray Graves (L) With Pact

VHS Star Bruce Bennett Ready To Ink Gator Grant-In-Aid

BENNETT PICKS GATORS TO END GUESSING GAME

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

One of the state's most popular football guessing games came to an end today when Valdosta High quarterback great Bruce Bennett was signed to a gridiron grant-in aid by the University of Florida.

Bennett decided to cast his college football lot with the Gators after considering offers from more than 20 schools for more than a month.

While Bennett was making up his mind sports fans in Valdosta and throughout the state kept ask-

ing, "Who is Bennett going to sign with?"

The 165-pound, do-everything type back was one of Georgia's most sought after prep stars. Florida's head coach Ray Graves was on hand to sign Bennett in person.

Bennett attracted the notice of schools as far away as Texas (Abilene Christian) and Colorado (Air Force Academy). Beside Florida, chief contenders in the recruiting race for Bennett were Georgia, Georgia Tech, Florida State, Clemson and Duke.

There were a lot of good reasons why Bennett got so much attention from other college scouts.

He was picked for All-South Georgia, All-State and All-Southern Honors. The Associated Press and Atlanta Journal-Constitution rated him as Georgia's top Class AAA back.

For three years he was attack leader for coach Wright Bazemore's powerful Wildcats. He helped lead the 'Cats to 24 straight wins and state Class AAA crowns in both 1960 and 1961.

In 10 regular season and 12 playoff games during the '61 campaign Bennett gained 983 yards rushing on 158 tries for a 6.2 average. He completed 54 of 105 passes for 1,099. Bennett scored 23 touchdowns for 138 points and 12 of his passes for TD's.

He led Region 1-AAA in both rushing and passing and set a new total offense standard for the league.

To top it all off, he is a stand-out defensive performer and an excellent blocker.

Bennett will join three of his former teammates at Florida. Quarterback Tommy Tart, guard Allen Holt and tackle Bob Gron-dahl, members of VHS' 1960 state championship crew, were members of the Gators' freshman squad during the '61 campaign.

Bennett is the third VHS athlete to get an athletic scholarship this year. Fullback Butch Luke has been signed by Georgia and football kicking specialist and golf star Bunky Henry has inked a grant-in-aid with Georgia Tech.

'Cats Shade Eagles, 42-39, In Thriller

Kittens Notch 4th Win In Row
With 47-34 Romp In Girls Game

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta's basketball Wildcats extended their unbeaten string to 10 games here Tuesday night, but they just squeaked by the Lowndes County Golden Eagles, 42-39, in a super thriller to keep their slate clean.

Valdosta made a sweep of the night's twin-bill at the Lowndes gym when the VHS Kittens trimmed the LOHI girls, 47-34. The win was the fourth in a row for the 'Dosta girls and boosted their record to 7-4.

The boys game had a cliff-hanging finish with the outcome of the game in doubt until the final three seconds of play.

Valdosta staged a fourth period uprising, during which they outscored the Eagles 18-8, to notch a come-from-behind win.

The game followed a pattern of the Eagles taking the lead and then the Wildcats pulling even. This happened six times. The 'Cats trailed by five points with just over two minutes to go. In

the time remaining they hit for five goals and 10 crucial points while the Eagles got just two markers.

Valdosta didn't take the lead until Rick Thomas sank a layup shot to put them ahead 38-37 with 55 seconds to go. The Eagles' talented Calvin VanVlake promptly sank a long one-hander and with 35 seconds to go and it was LOHI 39 and Valdosta 38.

Again Thomas rang the scoring bell, this time with 25 seconds remaining. That edged the 'Cats ahead 40-39. The Eagles had a chance to tie it up with :06 to go with a foul shot, but missed. Valdosta's Leo Wells grabbed the rebound, the 'Cats called time out. There were three seconds left when Alvie Steele took a long pass, drove in and sank a layup that gave the Wildcats a pair of insurance points.

The loss, a heart-breaker for the Eagles, was only their third. They have won 10. It was LOHI's second setback at the hands of Valdosta.

The Wildcats held firm under pressure and spurted at the finish to triumph.

Steele scored 12 points to lead the VHS attack. Seven other Valdosta players shared in the triumph. They were Wells, 7; Thomas, 6; Bill Wisenbaker, 6; Stan Reaves, 4; Wally Colson, 4; Tommy Johnson, 3, and Foy Norwood.

VanVlake put on a dazzling offensive show, hitting for 22 points. He got plenty of help from David Cowart, 1; Jerry Goodson, 5; Tommy Anderson, 7, and Maxwell Green, 4.

The Eagles finished with a 27-23 edge in the rebounding department. Goodson did the big job on the boards for the Eagles. He grabbed 17 rebounds. For the Wildcats, the rebound leader was Steele with seven.

Valdosta scored 19 field goals and hit on four of seven free throws. The Eagles made 15 field goals and sank 9 of 17 tries from the charity line.

In the girls game the Kittens broke up a see-saw duel with a rally near the close of the first period. By halftime the VHS sextet had a 13-point lead and was on its way to victory.

The Kittens offered a balanced attack with Barbara Knoll and Lucille Dawson each getting 15 points and Betty McClenny accounting for 11. Defensive stick-outs included guards Euloise Hamill, Gail Bazemore and Diane Quattlebaum. They were at their best in the second stanza when they limited LOHI to just three points.

Susan McCall, with 12 points, and Gail Connell, with 11, paced the Lowndes girls in the scoring department.

GIRLS

Valdosta	14 25 37 47
Lowndes	9 12 22 34

VALDOSTA (47) — Dawson 15, McClenny 13, Knoll 15, Hamill, S. Martin 2, Smith 2, Potts, Deloach, Shenton, R. Martin, Bazemore, Quattlebaum, Harris, Rodgers, Geer.

LOWNDES (34) — McCall 12, Connell 11, Hare 5, Swilley 6, Wisenbaker, Harris, Starlings, McLain, Dasher, Atkins.

BOYS

Valdosta	7 15 24 42
Lowndes	7 17 31 39

VALDOSTA (42) — Steele 12, Wells 7, Thomas 6, Wisenbaker 6, Reaves 4, Colson 4, Norwood, Johnson 3.

LOWNDES (39) — VanVlake 22, Cowart 1, Goodson 5, Anderson 7, Green 4, Black.

'Dosta, Lowndes Tangle Tonight

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
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High school basketball teams in the area will greet the New Year with a full round of regular season action this week.

There was some slow down during the holidays with a few teams idle. But most area quintets and sextets got at least a taste of tournament action.

This week all get into the act with a total of 16 twin-bills slated between now and Saturday night.

In games tonight Valdosta will be at Lowndes County, Hahira at Echols County (Statenville), Cook (Adel) at Tifton and Irwin County (Ocilla) at Berrien County (Nashville).

Games later in the week are as follows:

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Friday — Valdosta girls vs Doerun and Valdosta boys vs Columbus at Valdosta, Lowndes at Cook, Brooks County (Quitman) at Berrien, Manor at Clinch County (Homerville) and Salem, Fla., at Jennings, Fla.

Saturday — Valdosta girls vs Abraham Baldwin College and Valdosta boys vs Baker (Columbus) at Valdosta, Lowndes at Jeff Davis (Hazlehurst), Brooks at Thomasville, Tifton at Berrien, Jennings, Fla., at Lanier County (Lakeland) and Georgia Christian School (Dasher) at Omega.

Tonight's headliner will be the twin-bill between intra-county rivals Valdosta and Lowndes County at the LOHI gym. A girls game at 7 p. m. will get the action underway.

Coach Bill Davis' VHS Kittens will be out to improve on an already good 6-4 record and boost their current winning streak to four games. Coach Rodney Fain's LOHI sextet has a 1-8 record and ambitions to halt a three-game losing skid.

Coach Bill Kittrell's unbeaten 'Cats (9-0) and coach Carlton Adams' Eagles (10-2) will hook up in a replay of the Hahira Christmas Invitational tournament finals. The Wildcats won at Hahira on Saturday, 58-50, but the Eagles are hoping to turn the tables on them tonight.

The 'Dosta sextet built its three-game winning streak during a march which carried it to the

girls division championship in the Hahira tourney.

Hahira's Tigers will carry a 2-7 record into their meeting with the Echols Wildcats who have a 4-5 mark. The Hahira girls are 3-7 and the Echols sextet has a 3-6 mark.

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Cook's Hornets and Hornettes will be trying to get back on the victory trail at Tifton tonight.

Both have good records. The Hornets are 5-4 and the Hornettes are 9-2. But both suffered losses in the Hahira meet last week.

Berrien's Rebels and Rebelettes will be seeing action for the first time since Dec. 19 when they host Irwin County tonight. The Berrien cagers did not play in a tournament during the holidays.

Super Star Status Heaps Grid Pressure On Bennett

Each year colleges sign thousands of high school football players. Many make the move from prep to collegiate ranks with only a slight ripple of interest.

A few, like Valdosta High quarterback Bruce Bennett, make the advance with the blinding glare of publicity focused on them.

Bennett is, by everyone's standard, a super star. More than 20 schools extended him invitations to further his education while playing football for them.

Since Dec. 7, when Georgia's prep stars became eligible to sign college grants-in-aid, a steady stream of head coaches, assistant coaches, scouts and old college grads have beat a path to his door.

He made personal visits to five schools and talked with a half dozen different head coaches.

Bennett listed Florida, Georgia, Georgia Tech, Florida State, Clemson and Duke as the schools which showed the most interest. He got other offers from as far away as Texas and Colorado.

It's no longer news that the 165-pound running and passing great picked Florida. The Gators' grid chief Ray Graves made the trip up from Gainesville to sign Bennett.

Bennett has already been picked for All-South Georgia, All-State and All-Southern honors. The Wigwam Wisemen of America at Oklahoma City, Okla., are considering him for prep All-America.

This past season in 10 regular season and two playoff games Bennett gained 983 yards rushing and hit on 54 of 105 passes for 1,099 yards. He scored 23 touchdowns and a dozen of his "pitches" went for TD's. He became the first player in 1-AAA history to lead the loop in passing and rushing the same year. He set a new league total offense mark.

With Bennett a prime mover, the 'Cats won 24 straight games and put the state Class AAA championships back-to-back in 1960-61.

During the '61 season head coach Wright Bazemore, a man cautious about the kind of compliments he passes out, vowed he wouldn't trade Bennett for any college quarterback in the country.

Credits Teammates For Success

Through it all Bennett has remained a modest young man. Both on the football field and off he has little to say. He credits his success to "having the greatest teammates in the country, the kind who could make anyone look good."

As a sophomore and junior he flashed running brilliance. The college scouts started taking notice. This past season he developed into a fine passer. It was then, when he started offering both running and passing talent, that recruiters zeroed in on him.

They tell the story of a college scout who was watching him play against Albany.

This scout wasn't completely sold on Bennett.

"I know the boy can run, but can he pass," the scout said to a companion. "If he's going to make it as a college quarterback, he's got to be able to throw."

About that time Bennett faded back, and with Albany defenders hanging all over him threw a long pass to halfback Giles Smith in the end zone.

The scout jumped to his feet and his companion asked what was the matter.

"I'm sold," the scout said. "I'm going down and talk to that boy right now."

So Bennett is a super star, a ranking he both earned and deserves. But the truth is that's going to make it tougher on him when he begins his college career.

Toughest Challenge Ahead

He is going to be a marked man. The coaches and the fans are going to ask and expect more from him than most of the other players.

Bennett can become a good college player and there will be some people who will be disappointed. He can satisfy everyone only if he becomes a super star at the collegiate level.

So the young Valdostan will enter the next phase of his football career under tremendous pressure.

As a Wildcat, Bennett proved he could play his best when the pressure was the greatest. But his toughest football challenge is before him.

There is one thing you can be sure of. Bennett is going to meet that challenge head on, giving it everything he has all the way. That's the way he did things as a prep player and that's the way he's going to keep doing things as a college gridder.



GLASSMAN

Wildcats, Eagles Ready For Weekend Of Decision

There's no doubt about the fact that the Valdosta Wildcats and Lowndes County Golden Eagles have enjoyed basketball success so far.

But their fans are starting to wonder just what will be their title chances at tournament time in February.

Games the 'Cats and Eagles play this weekend could give an indication of how they might fare when the Region 1-AAA and 1-A(East) championships go on the line.

Here's the Wildcats' situation. They've clicked for 10 straight victories. However, they have met and defeated only 1-AAA foe so far. The league win was by a 69-60 margin over Warner Robins.

Tonight the 'Cats meet Columbus' Blue Devils and on Saturday they tangle with the Baker Lions of Columbus. Both will be home court affairs for Kittrell's charges.

Columbus was rated the team to beat on the pre-season form chart for 1-AAA. Baker was pegged as a solid title contender.

"It could be a weekend of decision for us," Kittrell said. "Meeting strong regional opponents on successive nights will give us a sample of what it's going to be like when the 1-AAA tournament is played in February."

Here's the Eagles' situation. They have a 10-3 record. They've lost twice to Valdosta and once to Clinch County. All of the setbacks were by small margins in hard-fought contests.

In the string of 10 wins are victories over 1-A(East) opponents Irwin County (Ocilla) and Ware County (Waycross). However, Irwin didn't rate high on the pre-season form chart. And LOHI played Ware while the Gators were still in the process of getting organized after a long football season.

LOHI meets non-regional foe Cook at Adel tonight. The Eagles certainly aren't taking the match with the Hornets lightly. But it's a Saturday night affair with Jeff Davis' Yellow Jackets at Hazlehurst that's in the spotlight.

'Cats Have 11-Man Crew

The Jackets are defending 1-A(East) champs. They are the team which knocked a strong Lowndes crew out of the running last year. Jeff Davis has come back strong again this time out. The Jackets were runners-up in the recent Savannah Invitational tournament. They bowed to powerful Jenkins of Savannah in the finals.

"We meet Jeff Davis at Hazlehurst and that's going to be mighty tough," Adams said. "We ought to have an idea of how we stand after that one Saturday night."

Kittrell has an 11-man squad. So far most of his players have seen a lot of action in every game. In a few contests, the 'Cats' hardwood boss has platooned his players by five-man units.

The 'Cats lineup includes Alvie Steele, Bill Wisenbaker, Leo Wells, Tommy Johnson, Mike Watson, Mark Holloway, Rick Thomas, Stan Reaves, Foy Norwood, Wally Colson and Cloy Blanton.

They are a crew of "shorties" with Colson, at 6-2, the tallest member of the group. But they have talent.

While Adams was disappointed by recent losses to Valdosta, he feels his Eagles have done better so far than expected.

VanVlake Sharpshooter Deluxe

The loss of 1960-61 scoring and rebounding great Bobby Eason left the Eagles a question mark outfit at the start of the current campaign. However, so far they've held their own against all comers.

Calvin VanVlake, David Cowart, Jerry Goodson, Maxwell Green and Tommy Anderson have been carrying most of the load so far.

I'd rate VanVlake, a 6-0 senior, one of the most accurate shooters in this section of the state. Cowart has quick hands and a talent for playing defense. Goodson is just 5-11, but can rebound with the best of them. Anderson and Green started the year with no previous front line experience, but they've come through in fine fashion and have been a big help to the LOHI cause.

The Eagles are also small. Anderson, at 6-2, is their "big" man. On the basis of their showing so far both the Wildcats and Eagles must be rated as strong teams. The games they play this weekend should give at least a hint as to how they stack up with the other strong teams in their circuits.



GLASSMAN

Valdosta, Lowndes Face Rugged Tests

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta and Lowndes County each face a pair of rugged basketball tests this weekend while Hahira is idle.

Valdosta's Kittens and Wildcats will be at home while the Lowndes County quintet and sextet will be playing on the road.

On Friday night the VHS Kittens will meet Doerun while the 'Cats tangle with Region 1-AAA

WEEKEND SLATE

Friday
VHS girls vs Doerun, VHS boys vs Columbus at Valdosta, Lowndes vs Cook at Adel, Brooks vs Berrien at Alapaha, Manor vs Clinch at Homerville, Salem, Fla., at Jennings, Fla.

SATURDAY
VHS girls vs ABAC, VHS boys vs Baker at Valdosta, Lowndes vs Jeff Davis at Hazlehurst, Brooks at Thomasville, Tifton vs Berrien at Alapaha, Jennings vs Lanier Co. at Lakeland, GCS at Omega.

foe Columbus in a twin-bill at the Valdosta gym. That same night LOHI's Eagles and Eaglettes will be meeting Cook at Adel.

Then on Saturday the Kittens will tangle with a sextet from Abraham Baldwin College and the 'Cats will meet another 1-AAA toughie Baker of Columbus. This doubleheader is also set for the VHS gym.

Saturday's slate calls for LOHI to meet 1-A (East) foe Jeff Davis at Hazlehurst. The Jeff Davis boys and girls are defending subdivision champs.

Other games for area teams this weekend include the following:

Friday — Brooks County (Quitman) vs Berrien County (Nashville) at Alapaha, Manor at Clinch County (Homerville), Salem, Fla., at Jennings, Fla.

Saturday — Brooks at Thomasville, Tifton vs Berrien at Alapaha, Jennings, Fla., at Lanier County (Lakeland), Georgia Christian (Dasher) at Omega.

Valdosta's Wildcats will put a perfect 10-0 record on the line when they tangle with Columbus' Blue Devils Friday. The Imps, who have a 4-2 chart, are rated as the 1-AAA title favorite this season. The Imps' two setbacks came at the hands of teams from Alabama.

While Valdosta has clicked for 10 straight wins, it has met just one regional opponent so far. In its only league test, the VHS quintet turned back Warner Robins, 69-60.

VHS' Kittens will carry a 7-4 record and a four-game winning streak into their Friday night outing with Doerun's always tough Deers. Doerun was the only team to beat the Kittens state Class AAA championship team during the 1960-61 season.

Lowndes County's Golden Eagles sport a fine 10-3 record, but they will be trying to get back on the victory trail when they tangle with Cook's Hornets at Adel tomorrow night. The Eagles dropped close decisions to Valdosta in its last two starts.

The LOHI girls, who have a 1-9 record, will be meeting a Cook sextet which has a 9-2 record.

Brooks County's Tigerettes will be gunning for their ninth straight win while the Tigers from Quitman have ambitions to improve on an already good 8-2 mark. They are favored to sweep the twin-bill with Berrien at Alapaha.

Clinch's Panthers will host Manor's Indians in what promises to be one of the top Friday night attractions.

The Panthers have an 8-2 record and the Manor quintet they will be playing has a 10-3 mark.

The girls game at Homerville also should be a good one. The Clinch sextet is 8-3 and the Manor girls have a 7-7 record.

Jennings' Panthers will be

swinging back into action after a layoff for the Christmas Holidays when they tackle Salem. Jennings won four of six starts before the turn of the new year.



Picked For All-America Honors
Valdosta's Bruce Bennett On First Team

Bennett 1st Team Pick On All-America Squad

Valdosta High quarterback Bruce Bennett has been named to the first team of the national high school All-America football squad.

While The Sporting News - Wigwam Wise Men of America have not made an official announcement of their selections, it has been learned here that Bennett will be included on the first team.

Several Valdosta High grid stars have made the prep A-A squad in past years, but Bennett is the first Wildcat to make the first team since Wright Bazemore became VHS' grid boss more than

20 years ago.

In 1960 Bennett was himself picked for A-A honorable mention.

Selection as a first-team All-American is just one of many all-star honors that the 165-pound running and passing whiz has earned.

His list of honors also includes All-South Georgia, All-State and All-Southern. The Atlanta Journal-Constitution and Associated Press rated him Georgia's top Class AAA back.

Bennett gained a total of 2,082 yards rushing and passing, scored 23 touchdowns and passed for 12 more as he helped spark the 'Cats to their second state Class AAA crown in a row.

He received scholarship offers from more than 20 schools before signing last week with the University of Florida.

Wildcats Play Columbus; Eagles Go Against Cook

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats meet the Columbus Blue Devils and the VHS Kittens go against the Doerun Deers in a twin-bill here tonight that highlights prep cage action in the area.

Lowndes County's cagers are also down for a busy night. They meet Cook's talented Hornets and Hornets at Adel.

In other games tonight involving area teams, Brooks County (Quitman) will play Berrien County (Nashville) at Alapaha, Manor will be at Clinch County (Homerville) and Salem, Fla., at Jennings, Fla.

The Saturday schedule is also crowded. The 'Dosta girls go against a sextet from Abraham College of Tifton and the VHS boys tackle Baker's Lions from Columbus. Site for this doubleheader will be the Valdosta High gym.

LOHI goes against Jeff Davis at Hazlehurst tomorrow night while Brooks is at Thomasville, Tifton meets Berrien at Alapaha, Jennings, Fla., is at Lanier County (Lakeland) and Georgia Christian School is at Omega.

Both the Wildcats and Kittens will risk winning streaks. Coach Bill Kittrell's Wildcats are unbeaten after 10 outings this year. In Columbus and Baker, they will be meeting a pair of Region 1-AAA's top-ranked teams.

The Blue Devils, led by Jerry Smith and Barry Mitchell, have a 5-2 record. Their two setbacks came at the hands of Alabama teams. Smith is averaging close to 18 points a game, while Mitchell has an 11.4 average.

The Baker Lions that will come to town on Saturday have a 6-3 record and two of the state's top performers in Colby Moiser and Bill Denny.

Coach Bill Davis' Kittens will carry a 7-4 record into their meeting with Doerun's always tough Deers tonight. The VHS sextet has triumphed in its last four starts and will be shooting for its fifth straight triumph.

Coach Carlton Adams' Lowndes County Golden Eagles have a 10-3 record. The Cook quintet they tangle with tonight has a 5-4 record and the Jeff Davis team they go against Saturday was

runner-up in the recent Savannah Invitational.

LOHI's sextet will be meeting one of the area's top girls teams at Adel tonight. Cook's Hornetses have an 8-2 record. Coach Rodney Fain's Lowndes lassies are 1-9.

Brooks' Tigers will be out to improve on an already good 8-2 record and the Tigerettes from Quitman will be seeking their ninth straight win against Berrien.

The basketball fur should really fly when Manor and Clinch col-

lide at Homerville. Clinch's Panthers have an 8-2 record. Manor's Indians have a 10-3 chart. The Clinch girls are 8-3 and the Manor sextet has a 7-7 mark.

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VHS girls vs Doerun, VHS boys vs Columbus at Valdosta, Lowndes vs Cook at Adel, Brooks vs Berrien at Alapaha, Manor vs Clinch at Homerville, Salem, Fla., at Jennings, Fla.

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Valdosta Forward Rick Thomas
He And Teammates Face Columbus Tonight



Now Where Did The Ball Go?
Neither Colson or McAllister Has It

Imps Top 'Cats; Kittens Triumph

VHS Boys To Meet Baker, Girls Play ABAC Tonight

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Strong rebounding by 6-5 Tom Whitley and some long-range sharpshooting by Barry Mitchell were the chief weapons Columbus' highly-regarded Blue Devils used to beat Valdosta, 57-52, here Friday night and tumble the scrappy Wildcats from the ranks of basketball's unbeaten.

In the opening game of the night's twin-bill Valdosta's Kittens let a 16-point lead slip through their fingers, but they rallied at the finish for a deserved 64-59 victory over Doerun's talented Deers. The win boosted the Kittens' record to 8-4 and extended their current victory streak to five games.

The Valdosta teams swing back into action here tonight. The Kittens meet a sextet from Abraham Baldwin College at Tifton and the 'Cats face another rugged Region 1-AAA test against Baker's Lions of Columbus. The twin-bill is set to start at 7 p. m. at the Valdosta High gym.

Last night's setback halted the 'Cats winning string of 10 games and leveled their record against 1-AAA foes off at 1-1. The tall and swift moving Imps, rated the team to beat in the regional title race, boosted their record to 7-2.

While the 'Cats took it on the chin they went down battling. Columbus, with a decided height advantage, dominated the backboards. The 'Cats used hustle to stay in contention up to the closing moments when Mitchell triggered a Columbus uprising with three quick field goals from long range that wiped out a four-point lead and started the Imps down the victory trail.

The game was a see-saw affair. The 'Cats led by one point at the end of the first period. Columbus had a seven-point bulge at the end of the second stanza. In the third period the Wildcats rallied and the final period started with the score knotted at 42-42.

Valdosta moved off to a 47-42 lead early in the closing stanza, with five minutes to go the 'Cats were out from 49-45. Then Mitchell triggered a Blue Devil uprising which saw the Imps score six field goals for 12 big points during the next four minutes while the VHS quintet went scoreless. This put the visitors ahead 57-49 and out of reach of the 'Cats.

Whitley not only did a big job on the boards, but paced the Columbus attack with 15 points. Mitchell was very close behind with 14 points. Walter Bross, with

nine points, and Jerry Smith, with eight, were other CHS leaders. With only 20 seconds to play Mitchell fouled out and at the same time was ejected from the contest. Referee Dick Plante charged Mitchell made an off color remark when the fifth foul on him was called.

Alvie Steele and Bill Wisenbaker led the Wildcats' offensive effort. Each tallied 18 points. Next in line were Rick Thomas and Leo Wells with seven markers each. Tommy Johnson hit for two points.

Columbus finished with a 24-15 edge in field goals. The 'Cats help offset it by making 16 free throws while the Imps hit only nine times from the charity line. Valdosta was charged with 15 fouls and Columbus with 17.

In the girls game, the Kittens mixed a strong all the way attack with a defensive effort which was tough in the first and final periods to hand Doerun's Deers only their third loss in 13 starts.

Lucille Dawson led the VHS scoring parade with 26 points. Just a notch behind were Barbara Knoll with 23 and Betty McClenny with 15. The guard foursome of Eloise Hamill, Diane Quattlebaum, Gail Bazemore and Russell Martin was at its best in the opening and closing stanzas when the Deers were held to eight and 10 points respectively.

The Kittens jumped off to a 20-8 lead in the first period and at one time in the second stanza were 16 points ahead. Then the Deers poured through 25 points in the third period to wipe out the Valdosta lead. With 4:15 to go, in the game the Deers were out front 56-53. Then it was the Kittens' turn to rally. They quickly regained the advantage and held firm under pressure at the finish to triumph.

Small Garland Whiddon paced the Doerun attack and took individual scoring honors in the game with a sparkling 30-point attack. Mary Jo Fincher was another offensive leader for the Deers with 20 markers.

GIRLS

Valdosta	20	37	51	64
Doerun	8	24	49	59
VALDOSTA (64) — Dawson 26, McClenny 15, Knoll 23, Hamill, Quattlebaum, Bazemore, R. Martin.				

DOERUN (59) — Whiddon 30, Fincher 20, McLeod 4, McCarty, Hathcock, Koopman, Monroe.

BOYS

Valdosta	11	22	42	52
Columbus	10	29	42	57
VALDOSTA (52) — Steele 18, Wells 7, Thomas 7, Wisenbaker 18, Johnson 2, Colson, Reaves, Norwood, Blanton.				
COLUMBUS (57) — McAllister 4, Reed 3, Mitchell 14, Perry, Whitley 15, Romeo 4, Smith 8, Robinson, Hatcher, Bross 9.				

'Cats Finish Fast To Top Lions 62-56

Abraham Baldwin Trims Kittens;
VHS Cagers Host Lowndes Tuesday

By SAMMY GLASSMAN

Times Sports Editor

Coach Bill Kittrell is still beaming today after his Valdosta basketball Wildcats turned back Baker's highly-regarded Lions, 62-56, here Saturday night.

Coach Bill Davis' VHS Kittens dropped a 51-46 decision to Abraham Baldwin College of Tifton, but the 'Dosta girls went down battling in their match with the junior college sextet.

Kittrell termed the 'Cats' performance, which was highlighted by a 24-point outburst in the final period, as the VHS quintet's "best team effort of the season."

The victory was the 11th in 12 starts for the 'Cats and boosted their mark against Region 1-AAA foes to 2-1. The win helped ease some of the sting they felt when Columbus tumbled them from the unbeaten ranks on Friday.

For the Lions from Columbus, who are rated strong 1-AAA title contenders, the setback left them with a 6-4 record.

ABAC ran its unbeaten string to six games. The setback snapped a five-game victory streak the Kittens had going. Their record now reads 8-5.

The Valdosta cagers swing back into action on Tuesday night meeting intra-county rival Lowndes County in a doubleheader at the VHS gym.

In Saturday's boys contest, Baker took an early lead. The Lions were seven points up near the close of the first period. The 'Cats pulled even at 17-17 early in the second period and from there on in it was a see-saw duel with the lead changing hands a dozen times.

Valdosta took a 47-40 lead early in the final stanza, then refused to let the Lions get closer than three points in a hard-fought battle to the finish.

Alvie Steele pouted in 26 points and Bill Wisenbaker swished the

nets for 17 to spark the 'Cats' attack. They and Leo Wells, Rick Thomas and Tommy Johnson saw most of the front line action. Wells scored nine points and Thomas hit for five. Johnson got a pair of markers and turned in a stand-out defense game. Also helping the cause were Wally Colson, 3; Stan Reaves and Foy Norwood.

Small, but swift Bill Denny scored 18 points to spark the Lions' attack. Bruce Sangorn was next with 11. The 'Cats held Baker's 6-5 Colby Moiser to just five points.

VHS tallied 25 field goals and made 12 of 20 foul shots. The 'Cats were charged with 12 fouls. Baker sank 23 field goals and hit on 10 of 16 tries from the charity line. The Lions were charged with 16 fouls.

In the girls game, Valdosta was the leader during the early going. At one time in the third stanza the VHS sextet was out front by 11 points. But during the second half three Valdosta guards fouled out and the ABAC forwards found the range.

With 2:30 to go, ABAC had a 47-38 lead. The Kittens rallied, pulled within two points, but could come no closer. ABAC hit on five free throws just before the finish for more than enough insurance points.

Lucille Dawson scored 26 points, Barbara Knoll got 16 and Betty McClenny accounted for six to pace the VHS attack. Sharing guard duty were Euloise Hamill, Diane Quattlebaum, Gail Bazemore, Russell Martin, Susan Rodgers and Carol Harris.

Sue Oliver, a former Doerun High star, led the junior college girls in the scoring department

with 29 points. Ernestine Elder hit for 11 and Jannett Brantley got nine.

GIRLS

Valdosta	14	25	33	46
ABAC	10	20	37	51
VALDOSTA (46) — Dawson 24, McClenny 6, Knoll 16, Hamill, Quattlebaum, Bazemore, R. Martin, Rodgers, Harris.				
ABRAHAM BALDWIN COLLEGE (51) — Oliver 29, Elder 11, Lawson 2, Brantley 9, Lackley, Eatman, Waters, Fitzgerald.				

BOYS

Valdosta	10	24	38	62
Baker	15	28	38	56
VALDOSTA (62) — Steele 26, Wells 9, Thomas 5, Wisenbaker 17, Colson 3, Reaves, Norwood, Johnson 2.				
BAKER (56) — Sangorn 11, Valeska, Denny 18, Cofer 6, Moiser 5, Cooper, Reed 6.				

'Cats Meet Eagles; Hahira At Lakeland

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Writer

A clash between intra-county rivals Lowndes County and Valdosta here tonight will touch off what promises to be a week of exciting basketball action for area teams.

Valdosta and Lowndes will clash in a twin-bill slated to begin at 7 p. m. at the VHS gym.

In other games tonight, Hahira will be at Lanier County (Lakeland), Clinch County (Homerville) at Echols County (Statenville) and Jasper, Fla., at Jennings.

Between now and Saturday night, area cagers will be involved in some 20 different double-headers.

Coach Bill Kittrell's Valdosta Wildcats and coach Carlton Adams' Eagles will be meeting for the third time in nine days

12-3. Both notched impressive triumphs in their last outings. The 'Cats knocked off Region 1-AAA power Baker of Columbus 62-56, and the Eagles trimmed Jeff Davis, the 1-A (East) defending champ and this year's title favorite, by a 44-43 margin.

VHS' Kittens and the Lowndes girls will be meeting for only the second time tonight. In their first encounter, coach Bill Davis' Kittens measured coach Rodney Fain's LOHI lassies, 47-34.

The Kittens have an 8-5 record. The LOHI sextet is 2-10.

Hahira's Tigers and Tigerettes will be meeting Lanier County's Bulldogs and Bulldogettes for the second time this season when they clash tonight at Lakeland.

In the first meeting, the Tigers (2-9) edged the Bulldogs (3-11) by

a 37-35 margin while the Tigerettes (4-5) trimmed the Bulldogettes (5-6) by a 47-35 count. They met before at Hahira. Tonight Lanier County will have the home court advantage.

Clinch County's Panthers and Panthrettes will also be tangling with Echols County's Wildcats and Kittens for the second time tonight at Statenville.

The Panthers (8-2) measured the Echols boys (5-5) by a 56-51 margin and the Pantherettes (8-4) beat the Echols girls (3-7) by a 56-25 count.

Jennings, loser to Lanier County on Saturday night, will be trying to get back into the victory column with a win over Jasper's Bulldogs. Jennings' Panthers have a 6-3 record.

THIS WEEK'S SLATE

TONIGHT
Lowndes at Valdosta
Hahira vs Lanier County at Lakeland
Irwin vs Cook at Adel
Clinch vs Echols at Statenville
Jasper, Fla., at Jennings, Fla.

FRIDAY
VHS girls vs ABAC at Tifton and
VHS boys vs Lanier at Macon
Lowndes vs Irwin at Ocilla
Atkinson at Hahira
Cook vs Berrien at Alapaha
Worth vs Brooks at Quitman
Nichols vs Clinch at Homerville
Lanier County vs Echols at Statenville
Greenville, Fla., at Jennings, Fla.

SATURDAY
VHS boys vs Willingham at Macon
Lowndes vs Echols at Statenville
Lanier County vs Cook at Adel
Jennings vs Georgia Christian at Dasher

when they get together for their tussel tonight.

If tonight's game is anything like the other two its going to be a thriller. Valdosta holds a 2-0 edge in the series, but both wins were by close margins.

VHS notched its first win by a 58-50 count in the finals of the Hahira Invitational. Then last Tuesday the Wildcats rallied in the final seconds of play to edge the Eagles, 42-39, in a game at the LOHI gym.

So the 'Cats will be gunning for a triumph that would give them a sweep in the series while the Eagles shoot for a win that will give them a measure of revenge.

Both quintets have outstanding records. VHS is 11-1 and LOHI is



'Cats' Alvie Steele (11) Gets Off High Pass

Flips one to Bill Wisenbaker (32) Over Eagles' Tommy Anderson

Eagles Top 'Cats By 44-39 Margin

Kittens Chalk Up 58-27 Triumph In Girls Game

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Long range sharpshooting by Calvin VanVlake and a superior rebounding effort were the chief weapons Lowndes County's Golden Eagles used to turn back Valdosta's Wildcats, 44-39, in a basketball duel between the intra-county rivals here Tuesday night.

In the girls game, Valdosta's Kittens romped to a 58-27 win.

With last night's triumph coach Carlton Adams' Eagles boosted their record to 13-3 and got a measure of revenge for two lickings they suffered at the hands of the 'Cats earlier.

The loss was only the second for coach Bill Kittrell's 'Cats who now have an 11-2 mark.

With their victory, coach Bill Davis' Kittens boosted their record to 9-5. The setback left coach Rodney Fain's LOHI girls with a 2-11 chart.

For two and a half quarters the boys game was a see-saw deal. With 4:45 to go in the third stanza the 'Cats had a 33-32 lead.

But during the next 11 minutes of playing time Valdosta scored just one point. During that

same span, the Eagles moved off to a 43-34 lead and had more than enough cushion to withstand a last-minute rally by 'Dosta.

VanVlake, hitting for 10 field goals and a pair of free throws, sparked the LOHI attack with 22 points. Most of his field goals were hit from long range.

The Eagles finished with a 37-25 edge in the rebounding department. Sophomore Bruce Black was a big reason for this difference. Filling in for regular Maxwell Green who missed the game because of illness, Black grabbed 15 rebounds. He also scored five points.

Others helping the LOHI cause were David Cowart, 5; Jerry Goodson, 5; Tommy Anderson, 5, and David Pike, 1.

Tommy Johnson was the Wildcats' scoring leader with 14 points. Next in line was Bill Wisenbaker with nine markers. Wisenbaker was the 'Cats top rebounder with 13.

Neither team sparkled on offense, but the pressure was great and the defensive play was sharp.

The Eagles scored 18 field goals and sank eight of 18 foul shots. They were charged with 14 fouls. LOHI's shooting percentage from the floor was 35 per cent.

The Wildcats made 15 field goals and sank nine of 16 tries from the charity line. They were charged with 17 fouls. VHS' shooting average from the floor was only 25 per cent.

Sophomore Betty McClenny turned in one of her top performances of the season as she scored 22 points and paced the Kittens' offense. She got scoring help from Barbara Knoll, 16; Lucille Dawson, 8, and Margaret Smith, 7.

Defensive stickouts for the Kittens included guards Euloise Hamill, Daine Quattlebaum, Gail Bazemore, Sue Rodgers and Russell Martin.

The Kittens moved off to an early lead and kept building to their advantage right to the finish.

Aimee Hare with 15 points was offense leader for the LOHI sextet. The Lowndes Sextet was without the services of one of its top offensive performers Susan McCall. She was forced to miss the game because of illness.



Valdosta's Betty Potts Finds Path To Goal Blocked

Lowndes Guards Have VHS Forward In Defensive Pocket

GIRLS	
Valdosta	12 31 49 58
Lowndes	6 15 21 27
VALDOSTA (58) — Dawson 8, McClenny 22, Knoll 16, Hamill, Quattlebaum, Bazemore, S. Martin 2, Potts 1, R. Martin, Rodgers, Harris, DeLoach 2, Shenton, Gleason, Reeves, Anderson, Geer, Smith 7, Strobo.	
LOWNDES (27) — A. Harris, R. Harris, Shiver, Bonner 4, Hare 15, Garrison 4, Dawkins 2, G. Rowan, Swilley 2, McLain, Dasher, A. Rowan, Atkins, Wisenbaker, Blanton.	
BOYS	
Lowndes	14 27 39 44
Valdosta	13 24 33 39
LOWNDES (44) — VanVlake 22, Cowart 5, Goodson 5, Anderson 5, Black 6, Pike 1.	
VALDOSTA (39) — Steele 5, Wells 9, Thomas 3, Wisenbaker 6, Colson 2, Reeves, Norwood, Johnson 14.	

—Times Staff Photos



GAIL BAZEMORE
For Leadership

VHS Senior Places High In Contest

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

A pretty Valdosta High School senior, who is a regular on the Kitten basketball team, has placed high in the statewide competition of the Elks leadership contest.

Miss Gail Bazemore, daughter of Mrs. Latrelle Bazemore, 602 Pine Tree Rd., has been notified by Georgia Elks she took third place in the state-wide contest.

During her four years at Valdosta High School, Miss Bazemore has been voted everything by her classmates from prettiest to most athletic.

She has been outstanding in a number of activities at VHS. She is vice president of both the senior class and the student council.

She is a member of the First Baptist Church, a co-captain of the girls basketball squad, sweetheart of the Key Club, member of the Tri-Hi-Y, was vice president of the sophomore class, treasurer of the junior class, member of the executive council of the Seventeen Club and has attended Girl State in Atlanta. She is also captain of the Wildcat cheerleader squad.

Miss Bazemore won first place in the Valdosta Elks Lodge leadership competition announced Dec. 14. Bill Wisenbaker, another VHS senior, took first place in the local leadership competition for boys.

The contest is an annual project of the Valdosta Elks Lodge. Members of the youth committee of the local lodge which conducts the contest are: Bill West, chairman, Homer Cody Jr., Gardner Hale and Dr. A. M. Culberth.

Bennett Selected Prep All-America

Hurst, Gray Also Distinguished In Sweep of Gridiron Honors

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Jan. 12 (AP)—Bruce Bennett, a bruising quarterback from Valdosta, Ga., High School, has been named to the Sporting News Wigwam Wise Men of America National High School All-America Football team.

Bennett, a six-foot, 175-pound quarterback, rolled up 1,676 yards rushing and passing as he powered Valdosta into the Georgia high school playoffs for the second straight year.

One of the most sought-after high school football players in the state, he has signed a grant-in-aid agreement with the University of Florida.

Bennett, who was named to the first team, was the only Georgian included in the first seven teams of the Sporting News Wigwam Wise Men list. Forty-eight other high school stars from Georgia were given honorable mention.

Bennett, Marvin Hurst of Way-

cross and Glenn Gray of Richmond Academy in Augusta were named to the Scholastic All-Star football squad picked by Scholastic Magazine.

Commenting on his selection, Wright Bazemore, Coach of the Valdosta Wildcats, State Class AAA Georgia champion for the past two years, said, "If there ever was an All-America, Bennett is one. He can do everything."

"Although he mainly was a runner, passer and signal caller, he could block, tackle and defend against passes as well as any player I have ever coached."

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FOR BENNETT, his All-American selections gives him a grand slam of prep honors. Earlier he was named All-Region, All-State, State Class Triple A Back of The Year, and All-Southern. He is bound for the University of Florida on a grant-in-aid.

Hurst, 190-pound Waycross half-back, was State Class double A Back of The Year. He led Waycross to two State AA championships. He is pledged to the University of Georgia.

Gray also made a clean sweep, all-region, All-State, State Class AAA Lineman of The Year, and All-Southern. He has not yet signed a grant-in-aid. He is an 195-pound end.

VHS Schedules Beauty Contest

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Junior Class at Valdosta High has selected Feb. 22 as the date of the annual Miss VHS beauty contest.

The 50 junior and senior girls who will appear in the pageant have been chosen by the two classes.

The beauty contest is a means to raise funds for the junior-senior dance in the spring.

In charge of the contest are Mark Holloway, Beverly Gunter and Charles Barker.

Advisors to the group are Mrs. Betty Gooze, Mrs. Barbara Edmundson and Jackie Wooten.

Official List Shows Bennett Is Prep A-A

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Sporting News-Wigwam Wise Men made an official announcement of its 1961 prep All-America football squad today and in doing confirmed an earlier report that Valdosta's Bruce Bennett is a first team selectee.

The Times had reported on Monday that the Wildcats' quarterback great would be tapped for first team honors.

The Sporting News - Wigwam Wiseman squad is composed of seven teams, plus several hundred picked for All-America Honorable Mention.

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Bennett is the only Georgian on the first seven teams.

Tackle Elliott Garner of Berrien County (Nashville) was one of 45 Georgians selected for A-A Honorable Mention.

The 185-pound tackle had previously been picked for Class AA All-State honors by the Associated Press and the Atlanta Journal-Constitution.

Bennett, who helped pace the Wildcats to their second straight Class AAA championship, has also been named to Scholastic Magazine's All-Star Football Squad. Two other Georgians, Marvin Hurst of Waycross and Glenn Gray of Richmond Academy, made this "dream" team.

Among the others tapped for All-American Honorable Mention in addition to Garner were Jim Cavan of R. E. Lee (Thomasston), Hurst of Waycross, Wayne Tucker of Moultrie, W. D. Strickland of Patterson, Gray of Richmond, Billy Chambless of Fitzgerald and Dallice Law of Thomasville.

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Making the first team along with Bennett are the following: Center Tom Clardy of House Springs, Mo.; guards John Karpinski of Buchanon, Mich. and Ray Marcin of Cicero, Ill.; tackles Jon Staebler of Morris, Minn. and Bob Matecalfe of Oklahoma City, Okla.; ends Ray Palmer of Roseburgh, Org. and Jerry Mosher of Woodland, Cal.; quarterbacks Steve Sloan of Cleveland, Tenn. and Paul Dennabaum of West Scranton, Pa.; halfbacks Jim Wagner of Cedar Rapids, Iowa.; Ron Oyer of Schenectady, N. Y.; and John Feiber of Gainesville, Fla., and fullbacks Larry Shields of Wichita Falls, Texas, and Ken Whitley of Norfolk, Va.

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Approximately 5,000 sportswriters, broadcasters, coaches and school officials nominated more than 15,000 players for the A-A squad.

Bennett has quite a few other honors to go with the two latest ones he has received. Others include All-South Georgia, All-State,

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Tests Slated At 'Dosta High For College, Career Futures

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Tests to provide Valdosta High's ninth and tenth graders with information needed to make better decisions about high school, college and future careers will be given March 5, announced Miss Marguerite Ford, guidance counselor.

The National Educational Development Tests measures each student's ability to apply basic learning skills rather than an ability to memorize particular facts or specific subject matter.

"Consequently the tests help educators identify educational strengths and weaknesses and help students and parents make a realistic appraisal of education and vocational objectives," said Miss Ford.

Students who take the tests receive score reports which they can record in a student profile leaflet. Each profile indicates how the student compares with thousands of other pupils at his grade level across the nation.

Students should register now in the guidance office by paying the \$1 fee.

Merit Tests Are Slated At High School

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

All 1963 graduates of Valdosta High School who wish to enter the 1962-63 National Merit Scholarship competition should

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Valdosta, Albany Pace 1-AAA Basketball Race

Wisembaker, Steele Lead 'Cats; Hill, Dodgen Heap Big Indians

Special to The Atlanta Journal

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However the 'Cats bounced back the following night to stop the Baker Lions 62-56 and thus the region picture at the present time looks like a seven-way affair with only Jordan, Willingham and Moultrie on the outside looking in.

The region rundown at the moment.

VALDOSTA (11-1 AND 1-1). Coach Bill Kittrell has two outstanding scorers in Bill Wisembaker and Alvie Steele and proved this over the week-end against Columbus and Baker. Steele came up with 43 points in this two-game series while Wisembaker had 37 points. Leo Wells, who has been the leading Valdosta scorer prior to this series, was limited to 16 points.

ALBANY (10-2 AND 1-0). The Indians of Coach Graham Lowe continue to surprise but the Albany cagers will be hard to handle with Boogie Hill and Dub Dodgen scoring as they have to date. Dodgen has 202 points while

Hill has 154 although he was out of the lineup for three games.

COLUMBUS (6-2 AND 2-0). Jerry Smith came up with 31 points in the last Moultrie game and thus had his best night at the nets since the second game of the season. After hitting 21 points against Auburn and 27 against Baker, Smith dropped off and was limited to a mere eight points in the Valdosta game. If Smith can regain his 20-point average, the Imps could be very hard to handle. Chip Whitley had his best effort of the season with 15 points in the big Valdosta win there.

BAKER (7-4 AND 1-1). The Baker Lions have turned in two big wins this season, the second of which came this past week when Coach Bubb Ball's cagers turned back a mighty good Eufaula, Ala., team by a 20-point margin, winning 73-53. Left hander Colby Mosier had 26 points in this win. Mosier and sophomore Bill Denny hold the key to the success of the Lions this season.

WARNER ROBINS (7-5 AND 2-0). The Demons have now won their last three starts and may be ready to move into the thick of the region race. Clarence Channell and Skip Heath have been impressive to date as they take over where Bob Davis and Bobby Cribb left off last year.

LAGRANGE (3-3 AND 1-0). Randy Mahaffey hit for 48 points in the two-game series with Russell and the Grangers this past week posted a 17-point win over the Lanier Poets, winning 62-45 at LaGrange. Coach Al Marotti's quintet now figures very much in the region race.

LANIER (3-5 AND 0-1). Woodrow Fincher is the big gun in the Poet attack but he needs some help in the Macon scoring column. Fincher has a seven-game total of 130 points but runner-up Don Biggs is far away at 75 points. The number three scorer is Ken Bonifay, a 5-9 sophomore, who has 42 points.

JORDAN (3-7 AND 0-2). Lawton Garnto has proved to be a tremendous scoring surprise this season as he has hit for 20 points or better in five of the 10 games played by the Jackets. However the Jackets have been playing in tough luck lately as they have dropped their last three starts to Columbus (by six points) and to Valley and Warner Robins (both by three).

MOULTRIE (3-8 AND 0-2). The Packers are still without a region win and may have trouble picking up a loop decision again this season but the club has already taken three wins which tops the 1961 club that failed to win in 24 starts. Captain Wayne Tucker has been good for 121 points in nine games and Brad Bradberry and Marvin Croft have 98 and 96 points respectively in 11 tilts.

WILLINGHAM (1-9 AND 0-2). The Willingham Rams have not as yet been able to get started. However seven of these nine losses have been on the road which makes quite a difference.

Slowing Poet Star 'Cats' Chief Worry

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High's Wildcats and Kittens travel different routes, but tonight they will both be up against strong basketball opposition.

Coach Bill Kittrell's Wildcats will meet Region 1-AAA tough Lanier at Macon. Meanwhile, coach Bill Davis' Kittens will be at Tifton playing Abraham Baldwin College.

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The VHS Kittens will be idle, but the 'Cats will stay over in Macon for a meeting with another 1-AAA foe, Willingham.

LOHI's Eagles and Eaglettes will play Echols County at Statenville, Lanier County will meet Cook at Adel and Georgia Christian School (Dasher) will host Jennings.

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One of the 'Cats big worries will be trying to defend the Poets' Woodrow Fincher. He's the loop's top scorer, averaging better than 18 points a game.

The Kittens have a 9-5 record and revenge on their minds. They dropped a 51-46 decision to ABAC here last Saturday.

Coach Carlton Adams' Eagles hope to improve on their already good 13-3 record at Ocilla tonight. The Eagles trimmed Irwin's Indians, 52-27, in an earlier contest. The LOHI girls are 2-11 and face tough sledding tonight. Irwin beat them 31-11 in an early season affair.

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Jordan held a 57-52 lead over Warner Robins going into the final period but the home standing Demons tallied 22 points while the Jackets hit for but 14 points in the last eight minutes of play as Warner Robins posted win number seven in 12 starts.

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"Lineman of the Year," and **Joel Dickens** of Willingham, "Macon Player of the Year." . . . McEachern is planning a concrete stadium for its football field. Tentative plans call for 2,000 seats with the entire community spearheading the finance job. . . . **Heywood Hobgood**, who manages the House of David basketball team which faces the Murray County alumni next week, is a native of Plains, Ga. He lettered in basketball at Georgia Southwestern College.

KEN WARDLAW, who will be honored Saturday on the Atlanta Tipoff Club's High School Team of The Week, is leading Southwest DeKalb in scoring with 115 points. He also leads in offensive (47) and defensive (72) rebounds. He is a 6-2 senior. Wardlaw shares the "most field goals" leadership (41) with **Ryan Norris**. Best free throw shooter has been **John White** (44). Hottest club in Region 4-AAA is **Pete Combs'** Marist Cadets (12 straight wins) but it is no cinch to win the crown. Region 4-AAA is the state's toughest basketball league and Campbell Smyrna, Decatur, Druid Hills, Cross Keys, Sprayberry and R. L. Osborn, all are capable of derailing the Cadets. . . . In Region 2-AAA, Richmond Academy and Benedictine of Savannah both are unbeaten. Benedictine's **Ricky Mill** leads region scoring, 163 points in 10 games. Second is **Emory Lee** of Jenkins with a 14.6 average, followed by **David Ray** of Richmond Academy and **Lynn Rutherford** of Savannah, both averaging 13.

RAMS TOP WILDCATS, 46-44, IN OVERTIME

MACON — Coach Bill Kittrell today is looking for new ways to get the Valdosta quintet back on the victory trail after the Wildcats dropped a 46-44 decision to Willingham's Rams in overtime here Saturday night.

The setback was the third in a row, all by close margins, for the 'Cats. It left them with a 11-4 overall record and a 2-3 mark against Region 1-AAA foes.

For Willingham, the win was the second straight and left the Rams with a 4-10 mark.

Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens are slated for action Tuesday night. They will meet Berrien County in a doubleheader at Valdosta. The VHS girls did not play

last Saturday night.

Saturday night's dues between the Wildcats and Rams was close all the way. Biggest lead either team had was three points. And both were ahead at times during the see-saw contest.

End of regulation playing time saw the count knotted at 42-42. A field goal by Valdosta's Tommy Johnson with 30 seconds to go tied it up.

With time running out in the extra period the score was tied 44-44. With just four seconds left to play, the Rams' Pete Gaines hit for a field goal and the Willingham five claimed the victory. Gaines got the clincher for the Rams, but Bobby Bryant, 16, and

Jerry Leverette, 10 were the attack leaders.

Bill Wisenbaker, with 18 points; Alvie Steele, 8, and Leo Wells, 7, paced the Wildcats' offense in a game that was more a defensive duel than a scoring contest.

Willingham tallied 17 field goals and hit on 12 of 19 free throws. The Rams were charged with 12 fouls. Valdosta scored 15 field goals and sank 14 of 18 foul shots. The 'Cats were charged with 15 fouls.

BOYS

Valdosta	8	25	32	42-44
Willingham	12	22	32	42-46
VALDOSTA (44) —	Wisenbaker 18, Steele 8, Wells 7, Thomas 4, Johnson 4, Norwood 2, Colson 1, Watson, Schroer, Reaves.			
WILLINGHAM (46) —	Bryant 16, Leverette 10, Gaines 7, Pulliam 5, Aate 4, Bowen 2, Clay 2.			

Fincher-Led Poets Clip 'Dosta, 64-58

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Oliver Stars As ABAC Beats Kittens, 68-38

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

TIFTON—The Abraham Baldwin College girls put on a dazzling offensive display as they trimmed the Valdosta High Kittens 68-38, here Friday night.

With the triumph, the ABAC sextet boosted its unbeaten string to eight games. The setback left the Kittens with a 9-6 record.

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GIRLS	
Valdosta	10 21 29 38
ABAC	12 34 50 68
VALDOSTA (38) — Dawson 12, McClenny 13, Knoll 10, Quattlebaum, Rodgers, Bazemore, S. Martin, Smith 3, Potts, Hamill, Harris, R. Martin, Geer.	
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Fincher, hitting from all ranges and angles, poured in 28 points. The Poets' ace got 17 markers in the first half while Lanier was building up a 34-23 lead.

The Wildcats rallied in the second half and outscored the Poets in both the third and fourth stanzas, but they weren't able to make up all the ground they lost in the first two periods.

The setback left Valdosta with a 11-3 mark and leveled their record against 1-AAA foes off at 2-2. The win boosted Lanier's record to 5-5.

Valdosta swings back into action tonight, meeting Willingham's Rams here.

Last night's duel between the Poets and 'Cats was slated to be played at Macon's city auditorium. But with the auditorium's heating system under repair, the contest was played at Mercer University's gym.

The contest was a spirited affair that produced 44 fouls. The Wildcats, using scrap in an effort to stay with Lanier's tall Poets, were charged with 27 fouls. Lanier was charged with 17.

Setting the scoring pace for the Wildcats was Alvie Steele with 21 points. Next in line was Bill Wisenbaker with 11.

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South Georgia Regions Make Plans For 1962-63

Regions 1-AAA, 1-AA, 1-A and 1-B, like other high school athletic loops throughout the state, have started making plans for the 1962-63 and 1963-64 school years.

Every two years Georgia high schools are classified and regional and sub-regional lineups are established.

Well here's the way things are going to stand for area schools when the 1962 football campaign gets underway in September. Now remember, the regional lineups we are going to discuss won't become effective until the new grid campaign begins.

To start with, Region 1-AAA will remain unchanged. Coach Wright Bazemore reports the loop adopted the same football schedule it has been following. Each school will play each other school as in 1960 and 1961.

The way things now stand the Wildcats will play Baker (Columbus), Lanier (Macon), Moultrie, Warner Robins and LaGrange on the "road" next fall and meet Jordan (Columbus), Albany, Columbus and Willingham here. In the past the 'Cats have gotten one regional foe to trade playing sites and come here for a game. The Wildcats will also play one non-region opponent. Thomasville filled this spot in both 1960 and 1961, but for the present the future of the series between the 'Cats and Bulldogs is uncertain.

"For the past two seasons we were fortunate enough to work it out so we could play six home games and four road games," Bazemore said. "We hope to work out similar arrangements for 1962 and 1963, but we will just have to wait and see if things pan out. We do figure on playing at least five home games. If our series with Thomasville isn't continued, then we will schedule a non-regional opponent for a game here."



GLASSMAN

VHS, Hahira, LOHI At 'Home' Tonight

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Basketball fans in and close to Valdosta won't have to do any traveling to see their favorite high school teams in action tonight.

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WHTS, VHM

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Clinch's Panthers (10 - 3) and Pantherettes (11 - 4) have their sights on victory No. 11 tonight against Hoboken.



TOMMY JOHNSON
VHS Stickout

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"Lineman of the Year," and Joel Dickens of Willingham, "Macon Player of the Year." . . . McEachern is planning a concrete stadium for its football field. Tentative plans call for 2,000 seats with the entire community spearheading the finance job. . . . Heywood Hobgood, who manages the House of David basketball team which faces the Murray County alumni next week, is a native of Plains, Ga. He lettered in basketball at Georgia Southwestern College.

KEN WARDLAW, who will be honored Saturday on the Atlanta Tipoff Club's High School Team of the Week, is leading Southwest DeKalb in scoring with 115 points. He also leads in offensive (47) and defensive (72) rebounds. He is a 6-2 senior. Wardlaw shares the "most field goals" leadership (41) with Ryan Norris. Best free throw shooter has been John White (44). Hottest club in Region 4-AAA is Pete Combs' Marist Cadets (12 straight wins) but it is no cinch to win the crown. Region 4-AAA is the state's toughest basketball league and Campbell Smyrna, Decatur, Druid Hills, Cross Keys, Sprayberry and R. L. Osborn, all are capable of derailing the Cadets. . . . In Region 2-AAA, Richmond Academy and Benedictine of Savannah both are unbeaten. Benedictine's Ricky Mill leads region scoring, 163 points in 10 games. Second is Emory Lee of Jenkins with a 14.6 average, followed by David Ray of Richmond Academy and Lynn Rutherford of Savannah, both averaging 13.

RAMS TOP WILDCATS, 46-44, IN OVERTIME

MACON — Coach Bill Kittrell today is looking for new ways to get the Valdosta quintet back on the victory trail after the Wildcats dropped a 46-44 decision to Willingham's Rams in overtime here Saturday night.

The setback was the third in a row, all by close margins, for the 'Cats. It left them with a 11-4 overall record and a 2-3 mark against Region 1-AAA foes.

For Willingham, the win was the second straight and left the Rams with a 4-10 mark.

Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens are slated for action Tuesday night. They will meet Berrien County in a doubleheader at Valdosta. The VHS girls did not play

last Saturday night.

Saturday night's dues between the Wildcats and Rams was close all the way. Biggest lead either team had was three points. And both were ahead at times during the see-saw contest.

End of regulation playing time saw the count knotted at 42-42. A field goal by Valdosta's Tommy Johnson with 30 seconds to go tied it up.

With time running out in the extra period the score was tied 44-44. With just four seconds left to play, the Rams' Pete Gaines hit for a field goal and the Willingham five claimed the victory.

Gaines got the clincher for the Rams, but Bobby Bryant, 16, and

Jerry Leverette, 10 were the attack leaders.

Bill Wisenbaker, with 18 points; Alvie Steele, 8, and Leo Wells, 7, paced the Wildcats' offense in a game that was more a defensive duel than a scoring contest.

Willingham tallied 17 field goals and hit on 12 of 19 free throws. The Rams were charged with 12 fouls. Valdosta scored 15 field goals and sank 14 of 18 foul shots. The 'Cats were charged with 15 fouls.

BOYS	
Valdosta	8 25 32 42-44
Willingham	12 22 32 42-48
VALDOSTA (44) —	Wisenbaker 18,
	Steele 8, Wells 7, Thomas 4, Johnson 4,
	Norwood 2, Colson 1, Watson, Schroer,
	Reaves.
WILLINGHAM (45) —	Bryant 16, Le-
	verette 10, Gaines 7, Pulliam 5, Price 4,
	Bowen 2, Clay 2.

Fincher-Led Poets Clip 'Dosta, 64-58

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Oliver Stars As ABAC Beats Kittens, 68-38

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

TIFTON—The Abraham Baldwin College girls put on a dazzling offensive display as they trimmed the Valdosta High Kittens 68-38, here Friday night.

With the triumph, the ABAC sextet boosted its unbeaten string to eight games. The setback left the Kittens with a 9-6 record.

Former Doerun High star Sue

Oliver poured in 35 points to lead the ABAC attack.

Betty McClenny, with 13 points, was the offense leader for the Kittens. Lucille Dawson got 12 and Barbara Knoll tallied 10.

GIRLS

Valdosta	10	21	29	38
ABAC	12	34	50	68
VALDOSTA (38) — Dawson 12, McClenny 13, Knoll 10, Quattlebaum, Rodgers, Bazemore, S. Martin, Smith 3, Potts, Hamill, Harris, R. Martin, Geer.				
ABAC (68) — Oliver 35, Elder 14, Brantley 7, Loodall 12, Lackey, S. Lackey, Waters, Fitzgerald, Clyatt.				

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

MACON — Region AAA's leading scorer Woodrow Fincher gave a demonstration of how he moved up to the head of the list as he sparked Lanier's Poets to a 64-58 victory over Valdosta's Wildcats here Friday night.

Fincher, hitting from all ranges and angles, poured in 28 points. The Poets' ace got 17 markers in the first half while Lanier was building up a 34-23 lead.

The Wildcats rallied in the second half and outscored the Poets in both the third and fourth stanzas, but they weren't able to make up all the ground they lost in the first two periods.

The setback left Valdosta with a 11-3 mark and leveled their record against 1-AAA foes off at 2-2. The win boosted Lanier's record to 5-5.

Valdosta swings back into action tonight, meeting Willingham's Rams here.

Last night's duel between the Poets and 'Cats was slated to be played at Macon's city auditorium. But with the auditorium's heating system under repair, the contest was played at Mercer University's gym.

The contest was a spirited affair that produced 44 fouls. The Wildcats, using scrap in an effort to stay with Lanier's tall Poets, were charged with 27 fouls. Lanier was charged with 17.

Setting the scoring pace for the Wildcats was Alvie Steele with 21 points. Next in line was Bill Wisenbaker with 11.

Valdosta	12	23	40	58
Lanier	17	34	50	64
VALDOSTA (58) — Steele 21, Wisenbaker 11, Wells 8, Johnson 9, Watson 2, Thomas 6, Norwood 1.				
LANIER (64) — Seward 7, Anderson 4, Gerhard 6, Biggs 10, Fincher 28, Bonifay 9.				

South Georgia Regions Make Plans For 1962-63

Regions 1-AAA, 1-AA, 1-A and 1-B, like other high school athletic loops throughout the state, have started making plans for the 1962-63 and 1963-64 school years.

Every two years Georgia high schools are classified and regional and sub-regional lineups are established.

Well here's the way things are going to stand for area schools when the 1962 football campaign gets underway in September. Now remember, the regional lineups we are going to discuss won't become effective until the new grid campaign begins.

To start with, Region 1-AAA will remain unchanged. Coach Wright Bazemore reports the loop adopted the same football schedule it has been following. Each school will play each other school as in 1960 and 1961.

The way things now stand the Wildcats will play Baker (Columbus), Lanier (Macon), Moultrie, Warner Robins and LaGrange on the "road" next fall and meet Jordan (Columbus), Albany, Columbus and Willingham here. In the past the 'Cats have gotten one regional foe to trade playing sites and come here for a game. The Wildcats will also play one non-region opponent. Thomasville filled this spot in both 1960 and 1961, but for the present the future of the series between the 'Cats and Bulldogs is uncertain.

"For the past two seasons we were fortunate enough to work it out so we could play six home games and four road games," Bazemore said. "We hope to work out similar arrangements for 1962 and 1963, but we will just have to wait and see if things pan out. We do figure on playing at least five home games. If our series with Thomasville isn't continued, then we will schedule a non-regional opponent for a game here."



GLASSMAN

VHS, Hahira, LOHI At 'Home' Tonight

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Basketball fans in and close to Valdosta won't have to do any traveling to see their favorite high school teams in action tonight.

Valdosta, Lowndes County and Hahira will all be playing in their own gyms tonight.

The VHS cagers will host Berrien County (Nashville), Lowndes will be meeting Brooks County (Quitman) and Echols County (Statenville) will be at Hahira.

In other games tonight involving area teams, Cook (Adel) will be at Worth County (Sylvester), Jennings, Fla., at Pinetta, Fla.,

THIS WEEK'S SLATE

- Berrien at Valdosta
- Brooks at Lowndes
- Echols at Hahira
- Cook at Worth

WHAT'S WHAT?

Quitman, the Eagles won by a 40-39 margin.

LOHI's Eagleettes (3-12) will be meeting a band of high-riding Brooks Tigerettes who have clicked for 11 triumphs this season without a loss.

Hahira's Tigers (3-1) and Tigerettes (5-8) will be meeting Echols' Wildcats (6-6) and Kittens (4-8) for the second time. In games at Statenville earlier in the season, Echols won the boys game, 54-47 and Hahira was a 42-23 victor in the girls contest.

The Cook Hornets (8 - 6) and

Hornettes (12 - 3) will be facing Region 1-A (West) tests at Sylvester tonight. The Cook and Worth cagers will be tangling for the second time. In their first meeting the Worth quintet was a 51-47 winner and the Cook girls notched a 48-22 triumph.

Jennings' Panthers will be out to improve on an 8-3 record at Pinetta.

Georgia Christian School was forced to postpone games it had slated with Jennings last Saturday night. Many of GCS's top players have been sidelined by the flu. Both the GCS boys (6-6) and girls (4-4) hope to repeat by beating Jasper again tonight as they did earlier in the season.

Clinch's Panthers (10 - 3) and Pantherettes (11 - 4) have their sights on victory No. 11 tonight against Hoboken.



TOMMY JOHNSON
VHS Stickout

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... talk about anything," Robinson
... just said "Wait a minute" be-
... and we waited a minute or two
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... the car, Miss Rutland called the
... who arrived a few minutes later.
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... the owner's son said that the
... the theft had arrived earlier to-

WAYCROSS TO REPLACE T'VILLE ON VHS SLATE

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Waycross will replace Thomasville as one of the 10 football foes the Valdosta Wildcats will meet during the 1962 and 1963 football seasons.

Valdosta grid boss Wright Bazemore has announced that Thomasville declined to continue the series with the Wildcats which dates back to the mid-1900's.

So Waycross, a traditional foe for the 'Cats through the 1959 campaign, will go back on the VHS slate in 1962 and '63.

"While the contract with Waycross hasn't been signed yet, we have a verbal agreement to play them here this coming fall and meet them in Waycross in 1963," Bazemore said.

Signing of the contract making the arrangements official is regarded as only a formality.

During the past two seasons Thomasville was the only non-regional foe the Wildcats met.

The 'Cats' games with Waycross the next two years will also be non-regional affairs.

"We offered to continue our series with Thomasville," Bazemore said, "but they (Thomasville) will drop from Class AA to 'A' this fall and they said they did not want to continue playing us. So we got together with Waycross and arrangements were quickly made for us to play in 1962 and 1963. We are delighted to be renewing our series with Waycross."

In addition to Waycross, the 'Cats will continue to meet nine Region 1-AAA opponents during the next two seasons. The league foes are Baker (Columbus), Jordan (Columbus), Lanier (Macon), Albany, Columbus, Moultrie, Wilkes County (Macon), Warner Robins and LaGrange.

The 'Cats will open their 1962 campaign against Baker, then tangle with Waycross here in their second outing on Sept. 14.

Waycross is coached by Earl O'Neal, a native Valdostan and former VHS line coach. He guided his charges to state Class AA championships in both 1960 and 1961.

Putting undefeated seasons back-to-back, Bazemore's 'Dosta crew won the state Class AAA championships in 1960 and 1961.

For many years Valdosta and Waycross were both members of first Region 1-A and then 1-AAA. They met often with sub-division or regional championships riding on the line.

The series continued for two years, in 1958 and 1959, after VHS moved up to Class AAA. In 1960 an expansion of 1-AAA limited the 'Cats to just one non-region game instead of two a season and the series with Waycross was broken off while one with Thomasville was continued.

Waycross was unable to beat a Bazemore-coached team in a regional contest prior to '58. But it licked the Wildcats in non-regional affairs in both 1958 and 1959.

Since the 1962 game between the 'Cats and Waycross will match the defending state Class AAA champs against the defending state Class AA titleholder it is sure to attract an overflow crowd.

Lowndes Facing JD; 'Cats At LaGrange

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Lowndes County will be host to Jeff Davis tonight in what promises to be one of the top attractions on the list of prep basketball games to be played this weekend by area teams.

Actually, the weekend slate is crowded with many good games in the offing.

Valdosta's Wildcats will be meeting Region 1-AAA foes LaGrange and Jordan (Columbus) on the "road." Coach Bill Kittrell's 'Cats face the Grangers at

tation for being almost unbeatable on its home court. The only game the state Class AAA champion Kittens of 1960-61 lost was to Doerun at Doerun.

Hahira's Tigers (3-11) and Tigerettes (6-8) and Cook's Hornets (7-6) and Hornettes (12-3) will hook up in rematches at Hahira tonight.

In earlier games Cook swept a double-header winning the girls game, 44-28, and triumphing in

the boys contest, 48-47. Hahira will be trying to avenge those losses tonight.

Other games involving area teams tonight are Jennings, Fla., at Georgia Christian (Dasher), Berrien County (Nashville) at Lanier County (Lakeland), Cairo at Brooks County (Quitman) and Ware County (Waycross) at Clinch County (Homerville).

All promise to be crowd-pleasers.

WEEKEND SLATE TONIGHT

VHS boys at LaGrange; VHS girls at Doerun

Jeff Davis at Lowndes

Cook at Hahira

Jennings at GCS

Berrien at Lanier Co.

Cairo at Brooks

Ware at Clinch

SATURDAY

VHS boys at Jordan

Lowndes at Bacon

Ehcols at Jennings

LaGrange tonight and tangle with the Red Jackets at Columbus Saturday night.

Coach Bill Davis' VHS Kittens will play Doerun's Deers at Doerun tonight. They will be idle Saturday.

After playing Jeff Davis at the LOHI gym tonight, the Lowndes cagers will meet Bacon County at Alma on Saturday. LOHI's games with both Jeff Davis and Bacon will be Region 1-A (East) affairs.

Hahira's fans can stay at home tonight and see what promises to be an exciting twin-bill. The Tigers and Tigerettes will tangle with Cook's talented Hornets and Hornettes.

LOHI's Eagles (15-4) and Eaglettes (3-13) will be meeting the Jeff Davis quintet and sextet from Hazlehurst for the second time. In earlier encounters at Hazlehurst, the Eagles edged past the Jackets, 44-43, and the LOHI girls shaded the Jeff Davis lassies, 24-23. The Eagles have a 4-0 league record.

The Wildcats will carry a 12-4 record into their duel with the Randy Mahaffey-led Grangers tonight. The 'Cats have already matched their 1960-61 victory total. Still they have a mark they want to improve on. In league play so far this season, they are 2-3.

When the VHS quintet meets Jordan on Saturday they will be going against one the region's top scorers. He is Lawton Garnto, a sharpshooter with an 18.0 scoring average.

VHS' Kittens (10-5) beat Doerun 64-59, in an earlier game here at Valdosta. But Doerun has a repu-

Kittens Show Improvement

They are a well-coached crew and show the hustle which is the trademark of all Eanes' teams.

There are a lot of good sextets in 1-A. Among them are Bacon County, Worth County and Ware County. But my prediction is that one of them is going to have to give a superior effort to keep the Tigerettes from winning the region crown again. But as Eanes can tell you himself from personal experience, the only thing certain about basketball is that it's uncertain.

While we are on the subject of girls basketball, let it be noted coach Bill Davis' Valdosta High Kittens have, in my opinion, made rapid progress so far this season.

During the 1960-61 season the Kittens won 23 of 24 games in a march which carried them to the state Class AAA crown.

Just one regular, Lucille Dawson, returned this year from that championship team.

During the early going of the current campaign the Kittens lost four times in their first seven starts. Since then they've won seven of nine to boost their overall record to 10-6.

Loss To ABAC Troubles Davis

Their two recent setbacks came at the hands of Abraham Baldwin College.

Since Dec. 16, they have won seven in a row against high school foes.

Seeing most of the front line action so far have been forwards Dawson (5-6, jr.), Betty McClenny (5-2, soph.) and Barbara Knoll (5-6, soph.) and guards Gail Bazemore (5-3, sr.), Russell Martin (5-9, jr.), Diane Quattlebaum (5-8, jr.), Susan Rodgers (5-6, jr.) and Euloise Hamill (5-8, jr.).

We've already said Dawson is the only returning regular. Well, Bazemore is the only senior on the Kittens' squad. Davis' charges are small, young and inexperienced, but they have certainly given a good account of themselves so far.

Davis is also a cautious coach.

"I thought we were making pretty good progress until ABAC beat us recently 68-38," Davis said. "I know we shouldn't really expect to lick a junior college team like ABAC, still we shouldn't have gotten beaten that badly. There are some signs of improvement, but we still have a long way to go."

The Kittens dropped an early season game to Warner Robins, so the odds are stacked against the Valdostans in the 1-AAA title race. Still, with the right kind of breaks, they might figure in the championship picture before it's over.

Valdosta, Lowndes To Meet Loop Foes

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Lowndes County's Golden Eagles face similar basketball assignments this weekend—both must go against a pair of tough regional foes.

Hahira's Tigers and Tigerettes will see action on only one night

WEEKEND SLATE FRIDAY

VHS boys at LaGrange; VHS girls at Doerun
Jeff Davis at Lowndes
Cook at Hahira
Jennings at GCS
Berrien at Lanier Co.
Cairo at Brooks
Ware at Clinch

SATURDAY

VHS boys at Jordan
Lowndes at Bacon
Echols at Jennings

against non-league opposition, still they will have their hands full. Here's the way things look:

Coach Bill Kittrell's Wildcats will meet LaGrange's Grangers on Friday and then square off against Jordan's Red Jackets on Saturday. Both of the Region 1-AAA tilts will be on the "road."

On Friday night coach Davis' Valdosta Kittens will play Doerun at Doerun. It's a non-league test for the VHS girls, but one that is sure to give them plenty of trouble. The Kittens will be idle Saturday.

LOHI's Eagles and Eaglettes will host Jeff Davis (Hazlehurst)

on Friday then move over to Alma on Saturday for a twin-bill there with Bacon County. They will be Region 1-A (East) outings.

Hahira's Tigers and Tigerettes will meet Cook's Hornets and Hornettes in a doubleheader at Hahira Friday night.

Other games involving area teams this weekend include the following:

Friday—Jennings, Fla., at Georgia Christian (Dasher), Berrien County (Nashville) at Lanier County (Lakeland), Cairo at Brooks County (Quitman), Ware County (Waycross) at Clinch County (Homerville).

Saturday—Echols County (Statenville) at Jennings.

The 'Cats have a 10-1 record against non-regional opponents so far this year, but in play against loop foes they have a 2-3 chart. They will be shooting for triumphs over the Grangers and Jackets this weekend that would put them above the .500 mark in league

The Kittens will carry a 10-5 record into what will be a return engagement with Doerun's Deers. Davis' charges shaded the Doerun lassies 64-59, in a recent outing here. If anything, Doerun will be

even harder to handle on its home court.

The LOHI cagers will also be playing return engagements with Jeff Davis. The Eagles (15 - 4) shaded JD's Yellow Jackets 44-43 and the Eaglettes (3-13) edged by the Hazlehurst girls 24 - 23, in games a couple of weeks ago. LOHI will be meeting Bacon County for the first time this season when they get together on Saturday night at Alma.

Hahira's Tigers (3-11) and Tigerettes (6-8) and Cook's Hornets (7-6) and Hornettes (12-3) will be meeting for the second time. In early - season encounters Cook swept a doubleheader, winning the boys game 48-47 and the girls contest 44-28.

Brooks' Tigers (12-2) and Tigerettes (12-0) will be meeting two of the strongest teams from Region 1-AA (South) when the Cairo quintet and sextet arrive at Quitman tomorrow.

And Clinch's Panthers (11 - 3) and Pantherettes (10-5) can expect plenty of trouble from the two Ware teams they play. Ware's Gators and Gatorettes rank with the top teams in 1-A (East).

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SAMMY

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Times Sports Editor

Wildcats Rank 2nd On 1-AAA Defensive List

Notes On This And That:

Before the current basketball season began, Valdosta Wildcat coach Bill Kittrell said defense was the key to his team's success.

Kittrell figured it this way. His 'Cats were short, but they offered scoring potential.

"We've got some pretty good shooters, but we are so short it's going to be tough to keep our opponents from running up their tally," Kittrell said. "But if we can make our defense click, we could have a pretty good year."

The 'Cats started with a bang. With their attack in high gear they won 10 in a row. Lately they've been having trouble. They now have a 12-6 overall mark after losing five of their last six starts, all by close margins.

But here is a surprising turn of events. They own the second best defensive mark among the 10 teams in Region 1-AAA, but are down in sixth place on the offensive chart.

Among their recent losses have been ones by 44-39, 46-44 (overtime), 35-34 and 41-39 (double overtime) margins.

"In most of our recent games we've done a pretty good defensive job," Kittrell said. "But we can't seem to get our attack going. Just about everyone is defense-minded this season. That's been making it tough on us."

"But if we want to start winning we've got to hold firm with our defense and improve our offense. We've lost some close ones, but if the boys don't let it shake them and they keep striving for improvement we can start boosting our won-loss record again. We've lost six games, but none by more than six points. However, we lost 'em and that means we've got to keep striving for improvement."



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'Cats Bow, 41-39, In Double Overtime

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

COLUMBUS — Valdosta's basketball Wildcats are back at practice today still looking for the formula they need to win the close ones.

On Saturday night they dropped a 41-39 decision to Jordan's Red Jackets at Columbus in a double overtime affair. The loss to Jordan followed on the heels of a 35-34 setback the 'Cats suffered at the hands of LaGrange.

The Wildcats have now lost five of their last six. They suffered the five losses by a total of just 15 points, an average of only three markers per defeat.

The Valdosta quintet now has an overall record of 12-6. They are 2-5 in outings against Region 1-AAA opposition.

At Columbus Saturday night, the 'Cats moved off to a 10-point lead early in the game. But the Jackets cut Valdosta's advantage to one point at the half. In the third period Jordan pulled even and the lead began see - sawing back and forth.

With six minutes to play and the score tied 35-35 Jordan went into a "freeze." The Wildcats got possession with two minutes left, controled the ball and gambled on

a last second shot that missed.

At the start of the first three-minute extra period Jordan got possession and "stalled" until the last second. This time the Jackets missed and the score remained deadlocked at 35-35.

Early in the second overtime period Jordan took a 39-37 lead. With only 10 seconds remaining, Lawton Garnto hit on a pair of free throws and the Jackets had a four-point bulge. The Wildcats scored a last second field goal but it wasn't quite enough.

Jordan won it at the free throw line. Valdosta finished with a 16-12 edge in field goals. But while the 'Cats were sinking just seven foul shots, the Jackets hit on 17 tries from the charity line. VHS was charged with 15 fouls and Jordan with 11.

Tommy Johnson, with 13 points, and Alvie Steele with 11, set the scoring pace for Valdosta. Mike Watson scored seven points and turned in what coach Bill Kittrell rated as a "very good defensive job."

Jordan scoring ace Garnto was held to four points, some 13 below his average, but Lamar Henderson came through with a 17-marker effort to pace the Columbus quintet in the scoring department.

The victory boosted Jordan's overall record to 6-9 and leveled its 1-AAA mark off at 3-3.

BOYS

Valdosta	12	23	33	35	35 - 39
Jordan	6	22	30	35	35 - 41

VALDOSTA (39) — Johnson 13, Steele 11, Watson 7, Wisenbaker 5, Thomas 3, Reaves, Holloway, Wells.
JORDAN (41) — Henderson 17, Williams 9, Fulford 6, Hurston, Garnto 4.

SAMMY

GLASSMAN

Times Sports Editor

Bazemore Already Worried About Tilt With Waycross

Notes On This And That:

Arrangements have just been made for coach Wright Bazemore's Valdosta Wildcats to renew their football series with coach Earl O'Neal's Waycross Bulldogs this coming fall, and already the VHS grid boss is worried about the contest.

"Earl says his (Waycross) line is going to be bigger than it was last season," Bazemore said. "Man, that's going to be a big line. I saw Waycross last season and its linemen were so big seven of them just did have room enough to line up shoulder to shoulder and those on the ends still be in bounds.

"In fact, I understand Waycross' 1962 team is going to be better than the outfits that won state 'AA' championships in 1960 and 1961. And you know Waycross beat us the last two years we played them in 1958 and '59.

"Waycross is a traditional and respected rival for us and I'm glad we are going to renew our series. But you can be sure we are going to have our hands full when we play them."

"With Waycross the defending state 'AA' champ and Valdosta the current 'AAA' king, you might say they will hook up in a duel for the Georgia all-classification title here on Sept. 14.

For you fans who might not have heard, Waycross will replace Thomasville on the Wildcats' grid slate in 1962 and 1963. Thomasville, which will drop from "AA" to "A" in the fall, turned down a chance to continue the series with Valdosta.

Valdosta Boys' Club staffer James Jennings isn't worried over the whereabouts of Car 54, but he is anxious to locate some overdue football and baseball uniforms.

"Some of the boys who played Little League baseball back in the summer and others who played Midget football haven't turned in their uniforms," Jennings said. "We'd like to remind them to turn them in as soon as possible."



GLASSMAN

Tribe Clips 'Cats; Kittens Notch Win

Valdosta Cagers Face Moultrie In Doubleheader Here Tonight

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Albany's Indians, red hot at the free throw line, edged past Valdosta's Wildcats, 65-61, while the VHS Kittens earned an 83-58 "must" victory over the visiting Squaws in a basketball doublebill here Friday night.

Hitting on 31 of 39 charity shots, the Indians boosted their record to 13-4 while handing the 'Cats their seventh setback in 19 outings. The VHS quintet now has a 2-6 record against Region 1-AAA opposition.

With their triumph, the Kittens upped their overall record to 12-6 and leveled their 1-AAA mark off at 1-1. The win enabled them to keep alive their hopes of challenging for the 1-AAA girls crown.

The Valdosta cagers swing back into action tonight. They host Moultrie, another 1-AAA foe, in a doubleheader slated to start at 7 p. m. at the VHS gym.

Last night's boys game was a spirited, rough and tumble affair in which the lead changed hands 9 times. Valdosta's small, but bustling 'Cats, finished with a 21-7 edge in field goals. But while the tall Indians were hitting 31 of 39 from the charity line, the 'Cats made only 19 of 28 foul shots. This scider.

Valdosta was charged with 22

fouls. The Tribe was charged with 17 rule infractions. The 'Cats lost three players via the five-fouls route.

The Wildcats built up the biggest lead in the game. They went out at the half with a nine-point bulge. But Albany quickly pulled even at the start of the third period and it was nip-and-tuck from there on in. With 1:15 to go Albany went a head by three points. Twice the 'Cats pulled within one point, but they could move no closer. Albany's four-point edge at the finish was their biggest lead in the game.

Albany scoring ace Boggie Hill got just 12 points, but Dub Dodgen and James Benson each hit for 20 to more than take up the slack.

Leo Wells was the 'Cats offense leader. He tallied 15 points before fouling out mid-way the third period. Bill Wisenbaker was next with 14. He fouled out mid-way the final period. Alvie Steele got 13 and Tommy Johnson 12. Others helping the cause were Mike Watson, 2; Wally Colson, 2; Stan

Reaves, 1, and Rick Thomas, 2. Reaves turned in a standout defensive job before he went out via the five-fouls route with 3:13 left to play.

The girls game produced some offensive fireworks with the Kittens turning in their top scoring performance of the season to win it going away.

Kittens and Squaws traded points until midway the second period. Then Valdosta started pulling away. The 'Dosta lassies went out at the half with a 10-point edge and kept building to their advantage in the second half.

Lucille Dawson scored 26 points; Betty McClenny got 13 and Barbara Knoll scorched the nets for 28 to spark the Kittens' attack. The defensive stickouts included guards Eloise Hamill, Susan Rodgers and Diane Quattlebaum.

Setting the scoring pace for the Squaws, who now have a 2-11 record, were Sue Yielding, 15; Cecelia Tabb, 18, and Jeannette Jones, 25.

GIRLS	
Valdosta	11 20 42
Albany	11 20 42
VALDOSTA (82) — Dawson 26, McClenny 13, Knoll 28, Quattlebaum, Rodgers, Hamill, S. Martin 7, Smith 2, Potts, Bazemore, Harris, Martin, Dennis 1.	
ALBANY (58) — Yielding 15, Tabb 18, Jones 25, Martin, Hughes, Homan, Johnson, Schatz, Tanner, Baker, LeDain.	
BOYS	
Valdosta	14 20 44
Albany	14 20 44
VALDOSTA (41) — Steele 15, Wells 14, Watson 2, Wisenbaker 14, Colson 2, Benson 1, Thomas 7, Johnson 12.	
ALBANY (43) — Dodgen 20, Benson & Benson 25, Hill 12, Homan 3, Potts, Parks.	

Wildcats, Kittens Roll Past Moultrie

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens both came up with just the right mixture of offense and defense needed to sweep a Region 1-AAA basketball doubleheader with Moultrie here Saturday night.

Coach Bill Kittrell's Wildcats trimmed Moultrie's Packers, 61-47, to halt a three-game losing skid and boost their overall record to 13-7. They now own a 3-6 regional mark. The Moultrie boys now have a 4-13 chart.

Coach Bill Davis' Kittens triumphed, 62-48, to extend their current winning streak to four games.

The Kittens are now 13-6 for the season and 2-1 in league play. The victory kept them in position to challenge for the 1-AAA girls crown.

Valdosta cagers swing back into action on Tuesday night. They will meet Echols County (Statenville) in a doubleheader here at the VHS gym.

The Wildcats iced their game Saturday night with a torrid effort in the third quarter. They went out at the half with a seven point edge. When the smoke had cleared in the third period, the 'Cats were out front 48-27 and on their way to victory.

Bill Wisenbaker led the VHS attack with 21 points. He also did a standout job in the "battle of the boards."

Next in the scoring department was Leo Wells, 16; followed by Mike Watson, 10, and Tommy Johnson, 8. Others helping the cause were Alvie Steele, 2; Rick Thomas, 3; Foy Norwood, 1; Mark Holloway, Wally Colson and Stan Reaves.

Wayne Tucker, with 14 points, was the Packers' offensive leader.

Valdosta made 24 field goals and hit on 23 of 30 foul shots. The 'Cats were charged with 22 fouls.

Moultrie made 14 field goals and hit on 19 of 31 tries from the charity line. The Packers were charged with 14 fouls.

In the girls game the Kittens took an early lead and were never headed. The VHS sextet was out front 30-17 at the half and kept building to their advantage in the second half.

The Kittens offered a balanced attack with Lucille Dawson scoring 21 points, Betty McClenny 21 and Barbara Knoll 18. Defensive stickouts included guards Eloise Hamill, Diane Quattlebaum and Susan Rodgers.

Martha Jean Flowers led the way for Moultrie with 26 points.

The setback left the Moultrie girls with a 6-4 record and spoiled their 1-AAA debut.

GIRLS	
Valdosta	14 20 44
Moultrie	14 20 44
VALDOSTA (42) — Dawson 21, McClenny 21, Knoll 18, S. Martin, Smith, Hamill, Quattlebaum, Rodgers, R. Martin, Harris, Bazemore.	
MOULTRIE (48) — Flowers 26, Homan 10, Prince 7, Bacon 2, Lane 1, Warden, Alman, Harris, McGandy.	
BOYS	
Valdosta	14 20 44
Moultrie	14 20 44
VALDOSTA (41) — Steele 15, Johnson 8, Wells 16, Thomas 3, Wisenbaker 14, Watson 2, Norwood 1, Holloway, Colson, Reaves.	
MOULTRIE (47) — Craft 10, Patterson 9, Tucker 14, Bradberry 4, Montgomerie 4.	

WHAT'S WHAT?

Students at Valdosta High School had plans all set to celebrate National Lunchroom Week today, but somehow it didn't come off.

The VHS pupils decided as many as could would bring their lunches to school today and celebrate the start of lunchroom week by not eating in the school lunchroom.

A few, but only a few, followed the plan and brought lunches, a Times reporter discovered when he went to the school today to see how the celebration was coming off.

Sir: In reference to your "What's What" column of January 29, about the supposed lunch room strike by the students at VHS you and your readers might be interested to know that there was only a very small minority behind it.

The majority of the students knew absolutely nothing about it, and probably would not have participated if they had known. So the majority of students, who were not involved, resent being included in such actions of so small a group, who were just looking for something to do.

Gary Minchew

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Times got wind of a plan by a group of students to bring lunches to celebrate National Lunchroom Week. We sent a reporter to check on it, he found "only a few" brought lunches which our story of Monday said. The story said nothing of a strike.

Valdosta, Lowndes Set For Home Tilts

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta and Lowndes County basketball fans won't have to do any traveling this weekend to see their favorite prep cagers in action.

Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens will play a pair of twin-bills against Region 1-AAA foes here. They host Albany on Friday night

WEEKEND SLATE

FRIDAY
 Albany at Valdosta
 Hahira vs Berrien at Alapaha
 Echols at Omega
 GCS at Doerun
 Lanier Co. at Jennings
 Cook at Thomasville Central
 Clinch at Hoboken
 Brooks at Worth

SATURDAY
 Moultrie at Valdosta
 Madison at Lowndes
 Omega at GCS
 Tifton at Cook

and meet Moultrie on Saturday. LOHI's Eagles will be idle Friday night, then will tackle Madison, Fla., in a "home" outing on Saturday.

Hahira cage enthusiasts will have to travel, but not too far. The Tigers and Tigerettes will be facing Berrien County's Rebels and Rebelettes in a pair of games at Alapaha on Friday.

There will be plenty of other games involving area teams. They include the following:

Friday—Echols County (Statenville) at Omega, Georgia Christian (Dasher) at Doerun, Lanier County (Lakeland) at Jennings, Fla., Cook (Adel) at Central (Thomasville), Clinch County (Homerville) at Hoboken, Brooks County (Quitman) at Worth County (Sylvester).

Saturday — Omega at Georgia Christian, Tifton at Cook.

The VHS Wildcats will carry a 12-6 record into their meeting with Albany, currently one of the hottest teams in 1-AAA. The Indians, led by Boogie Hill, have a 12-4 chart. Hill is averaging just a fraction under 20 points a game. Another offensive star for Albany is Dud Hill. He sports a 15.1 average.

The 'Cats are hoping to shake a "slump" which has seen them lose five times in the last six starts. Two of the setbacks were in overtime. All five were by close margins.

Valdosta's Kittens, who have a 11-6 record, face a crucial weekend. They dropped a close verdict to Warner Robins in the only regional game they have played so far. Victories over both Albany and Moultrie this weekend are a "must" if they want to stay in a

position to challenge for the 1-AAA girls title. Both the Albany and Moultrie sextets will be tough hurdles for the Kittens to try to clear.

LOHI's Eagles (16-6) will be meeting the Madison quintet for the second time. The Eagles trimmed the Florida foe 53-47, in an early-season contest at Madison.

The Hahira Tigers (3-13) and Tigerettes (6-10) will be meeting the Rebs and Rebelettes in return matches.

In earlier games, the Tigers beat the Rebs 53-37, while the Rebelettes trimmed the Tigerettes 50-45.

Georgia Christian's boys (7-8) and girls (6-5) will be meeting Doerun for the first time on Friday.

Clinch's Panthers (11-5) and Pantherettes (12-5) are to face Hoboken for the second time. First time around the Panthers won 57-30, but the Pantherettes were beaten 49-48.

The Brooks cagers will be out to improve on already good records against Worth County. The Tigerettes have a perfect 14-0 chart. The Tigers have been showing almost as well. They've won 13 of 16. The Quitman cagers won a pair from Worth two weeks ago.

Lanier County's Bulldogs (4-14) and Bulldogettes (5-10) will be shooting for repeat victories over Jennings.

Cook's Tigers (8-6) and Tigerettes (13-3) will be tackling Region 1-A (West) foe Central for the first time this season.



LUCILLE DAWSON
 VHS Sharpshooter

Lowndes At Hahira; VHS Plays Moultrie

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens, both with winning streaks they would like to keep going, will meet a pair of Region 1-AAA foes in "road" contests this weekend.

The twin-bills the VHS cagers play at Moultrie on Friday and

WEEKEND SLATE

FRIDAY
 Valdosta at Moultrie
 Lowndes at Hahira
 Echols at Lanier Co.
 Jennings at Salem
 Climax at Brooks
 Cook at Thomasville
 Clinch at Nicholls

SATURDAY
 Valdosta at Albany
 Lowndes vs Berrien at Alapaha
 Jennings at Echols.

Albany Saturday will be just two

of many involving area teams.

One feature attraction on Friday night will be a meeting of cross-county rivals Lowndes County and Hahira at Hahira.

Three area teams, LOHI, Cook (Adel), and Brooks County (Quitman), will close out regular season play this weekend. They will begin tournament action next week.

In addition to the Valdosta at Moultrie and Lowndes at Hahira affairs, the Friday night slate calls for Echols County (Statenville) to play at Lanier County (Lakeland), Jennings, Fla., at Salem, Fla., Climax at Brooks, Cook at Thomasville and Clinch County (Homerville) at Nicholls.

While Valdosta is at Albany, LOHI will tackle Berrien County (Nashville) at Alapaha on Saturday. Echols will host Jennings in another Saturday night affair.

Valdosta's Wildcats (14-7) will carry a modest two-game winning streak into their tilt with the Moultrie Packers tomorrow night. The 'Cats trimmed the Packers, 61-47, here last Saturday night.

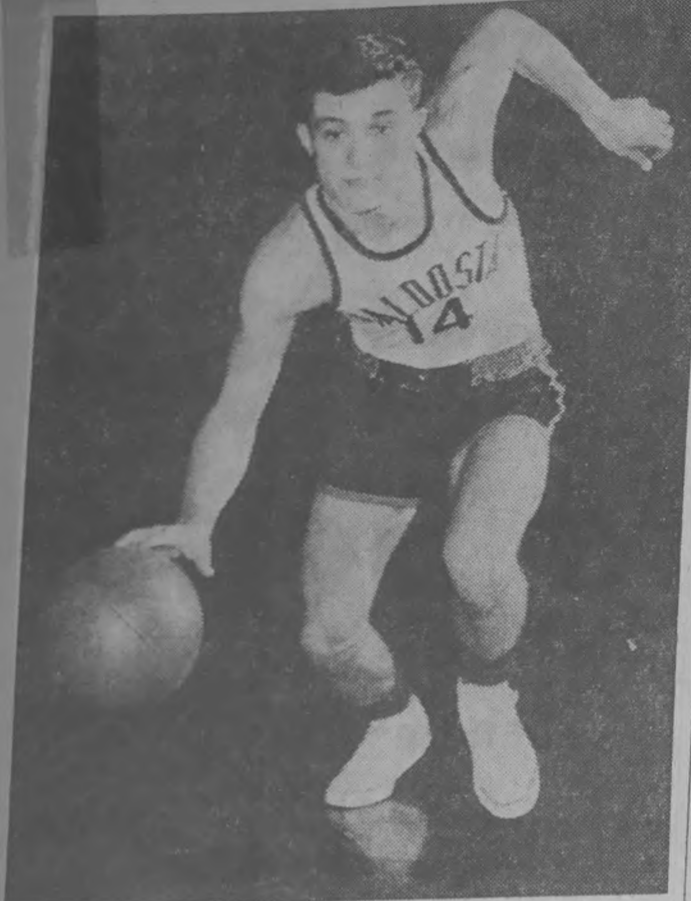
When 'Dosta boys face Albany, they will be trying to avenge a recent 65-61 setback they suffered at the hands of the Indians.

Valdosta's Kittens (14-6) have a five-game victory string going. They trimmed Moultrie, 62-48, and beat Albany, 83-58, in recent outings and will be trying to repeat this time out.

Lowndes County's Eagles (17-6) and Eaglettes (4-15) will be meeting Hahira's Tigers (4-14) and Tigerettes (6-12) in return matches. First time they tangled, the Eagles notched a 48-28 win and the Tigerettes triumphed 40-27.

Brooks' Tigers (14-4) and Tigerettes (15-1) swept a twin-bill with Climax earlier in the season, and Cook's Hornets (8-8) and Hornettes (20-2) won a pair from Thomasville mid-way the campaign. So the Brooks and Cook teams will be trying to duplicate past performances.

Clinch County's Panthers (13-5) and Pantherettes (12-7) will be facing the Nicholls quintet and sextet for the second times. Clinch won a pair last time.



Valdosta's Mike Watson
He, Teammates Face Echols Tonight

—Times Staff Photo

'Dosta Cagers Face Echols Here Tonight

Hahira Plays At Norman Park; LOHI Teams Idle Until Friday

Valdosta will host Echols County tonight as a busy week of basketball gets underway for area teams.

Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens will meet another set of 'Cats and Kittens from Statenville in a twin-bill set to begin at 7 p.m. at the VHS gym.

In other games tonight, Hahira will be at Norman Park, Jennings at Lee, Brooks County at Cook (Adel), Berrien County (Nashville) at Irwin County (Ocilla), Manor at Georgia Christian School (Dasher) and Atkinson County (Pearson) at Clinch County (Homerville).

Lowndes County will be idle tonight. The Eagles and Eaglettes will play at Hahira on Friday and will meet Berrien at Alapaha on Saturday in their final regular season outings before the Region 1-A (East) tourney.

Teams representing two other area schools, Brooks and Cook, will also wind up regular season play this week then move into the 1-A (West) tourney.

The VHS cagers will be on the "road" this weekend, meeting a

THIS WEEK'S SLATE TONIGHT

Echols at Valdosta
Hahira at Norman Park
Jennings at Lee
Brooks at Cook
Berrien at Irwin
Manor at Georgia Christian
Atkinson at Clinch

FRIDAY

Valdosta at Moultrie
Lowndes at Hahira
Echols at Lanier Co.
Jennings at Salem
Climax at Brooks
Cook at Thomasville
Clinch at Nicholls

SATURDAY

Valdosta at Albany
Lowndes vs Berrien at Alapaha
Jennings at Echols.

pair of 1-AAA foes. They will be at Moultrie on Friday night and at Albany on Saturday night.

Valdosta's Wildcats will carry a 13-7 record into their game with Echols' Wildcats tonight. The 'Dosta quintet beat the Echols boys earlier in the season. However, in recent outings the Echols crew has licked Lanier County, Hahira and Georgia Christian. The Statenville five will be shooting for an upset tonight.

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The Kittens have a 13-6 record and are riding on the crest of a four-game winnings streak. They trimmed the Echols lassies in two previous meetings.

Hahira's Tigers (4-13) and Tigerettes (6-11) will be seeking a measure of revenge at Norman Park tonight. The Hahira teams opened their season with a pair of losses to Norman Park. The Tigers and Tigerettes hope to turn the tables tonight.

Jennings' Panthers will be out to improve on an already good 10-5 record at Lee tonight.

Brooks' Tigers (13-4) and Tigerettes (15-0) will be playing rematches with Cook's Hornets (9-7) and Hornettes (19-2) tonight at Adel. First time they met the Tigers won 68-46 and the Tigerettes triumphed, 54-44. The Brooks boys will be without the services of center Wayne Cooper. He's sidelined with a back injury.

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Georgia Christian and Manor will be meeting for the second time. Manor swept a twin-bill with the Dasher quintet and sext-

et on opening night at Manor GCS' Generals have a 9-8 record and a two-game winning streak going. The GCS lassies have a 5-8 mark.

Clinch County's Panthers (12-1) and Pantherettes (12-6) will be meeting Atkinson in a double header that will be part of a nine-game basketball Jamboree at Homerville.

New glass backboards have been put up in the Clinch gym and the Jamboree will celebrate the occasion. First of the nine games was to begin at 1 p.m. The Clinch-Atkinson High varsity twin-bill is slated to begin at 7 p.m.

The Panthers dropped a 56-54 decision to the Atkinson boys earlier in the season while the girls from Pearson trimmed the Pantherettes, 43-32.

DE CLUB

2 Local Students Reach Competition Semi-Finals

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Two Valdosta High School students have been named semi-finalists in Georgia Distributive Education Club competition.

Marilyn Rykard was selected a semi-finalist in the DE Student of the Year contest and Arthur Baker gained the semi-finals in speech.

The semi-final competition—including clubs from Albany, Moultrie, Macon, LaGrange, Cordele, Rome, Columbus, and Valdosta — was held Saturday at Jordan High School in Columbus.

Two semi-finalists in each category of competition were selected at the Columbus meeting to compete with other Georgia semi-finalists at the state DE conference to be held later this year at Macon.

Miss Rykard was selected as one of two semi-finalists in the top student competition on the basis of vocational standing, scholastic ability, extra-curricular activities, state contest participation for the previous year, and an interview by three businessmen.

In the speech competition, students were given material and an hour to prepare a six to eight minute talk.

Baker became a semi-finalist in speaking on "Challenging Careers in Marketing."

Miss Rykard is the first Valdosta High student to advance to the semi-finals in the Student of the Year contest.

State winner of the DE Student of the Year will receive a \$300 college scholarship and a trip to Chicago to compete in the club's national contest.

Both Miss Rykard and Baker are seniors.



MARILYN RYKARD



ARTHUR BAKER

Coaches Agree That Close Games Are Hard On Nerves

If you don't think basketball can be tough on a coach's nerves then just ask Bill Kittrell and Carlton Adams.

Kittrell, court chief for the Valdosta Wildcats, and Adams, hoop boss for the Lowndes County Golden Eagles, have had more than just a few anxious moments so far this season.

The 'Cats have played 20 games. Ten, or half of them, have been close affairs with the difference between winning and losing six or less points.

The Eagles have played 23 games. Eleven, or almost half of them, have been thrillers with a half dozen or fewer ties deciding the issue.

Lately the games with cliff-hanging finishes have been coming fast and furious for both the 'Cats and Eagles.

Ten of Valdosta's last 11 have been close ones. The Wildcats ended the string, much to Kittrell's relief, with a solid 61-47 triumph over Moultrie on Saturday night.

Eight of the Eagles' last 11 outings have been thrillers, with Adams still nervous after his charges edged past Madison, 50-46, on Saturday night.

The Eagles have a fine 17-6 record. So far they've been more than holding their own in the close ones. They have won eight of the 11 games in which the difference was six or fewer points.

Lady-Luck hasn't been so kind to the Wildcats. They have won three and lost seven of the 10 contests in which the outcome remained in doubt almost to the finish. Still, they have a more than respectable 13-7 record.

But whether you win or lose Kittrell and Adams both agree that a coach's nerves take a beating when the score is close.

"Until we beat Moultrie by 14 points last Saturday night, we played 10 close ones in a row," Kittrell said. "It all started right after the Christmas holidays. I haven't been able to relax in so long I've almost forgotten what it's like.

"Bad part with us is that we've lost the majority of the close ones we've played. In some of those games the breaks went against us. In others we beat ourselves. We, and that includes me as well as the boys, made the kind of mistakes that you just can't afford to make against the strong teams we have been playing.

Sees Encouraging Signs

"Each loss has been a disappointment. But when you look back and analyze the whole situation there are some encouraging signs. No one in our region (1-AAA) has beaten us badly. I feel that if we draw any of them in the tournament we could, with a superior effort and the right kind of breaks, have a chance to win.

"But all of this does show us that superior effort is needed from here on out. The boys know the jobs that are facing them. But if they keep working hard and strive for improvement, maybe lady luck will start smiling on us."

Now let's see how Adams feels about the way things have been going this season.

"We've been lucky enough to win most of the close games in which we have been involved," Adams said. "But even when you win, the close ones are mighty hard on the nerves.

"I know the boys feel the pressure. But they are out there on the court doing something. A coach just has to sit on the sideline and watch while his nerves twang like banjo strings.

"Take the last five games we've played. We got beat two straight games on last-second field goals. Then we dropped a 10-point decision.

Eagles Bounced Back

"But I'm happy to say the boys bounced back. This past week they won on Tuesday night by two points and on Saturday by four.

"Don't ever let anyone tell you a coach can get used to close games. All of them take something out of you, regardless of the outcome.

"We've played everyone in 1-A(East) one or more times. Now let me tell you, any team can beat any other team on any given night.

"It won't be long before we play our tournament. I'm nervous enough right now, but I get even more nervous thinking about the tournament. We don't have much time left to get ready, but believe me we better be ready to give it all we've got in the tournament."

Close games may delight the fans, as you can see they are mighty tough on the coaches.



GLASSMAN

VHS Cops 2 At Moultrie

'Cats, Kittens Extend Streaks; See Action At Albany Tonight

MOULTRIE — Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens kept victory streaks going with a double basketball triumph over Moultrie here last night.

The 'Cats turned back Moultrie's Packers, 70-45, for their third win in a row. The VHS boys are now 15-7 for the season and 4-6 in Region 1-AAA play.

With a second half surge, the Kittens beat the Moultrie girls, 58-45. It was the Valdosta lassies' sixth triumph in a row. They are now 15-6 in all games and 3-1 in league play. The win kept them in position to challenge for the 1-AAA girls title.

The Valdosta cagers swing back into action tonight, meeting regional foe Albany in Albany.

In last night's boys game, the 'Cats had a slim one-point lead after the first period. But they were out front 28-19 at the half and coasted to victory from there.

Attack leaders were Alvie Steele, 24; Leo Wells, 17, and Bill Wisenbaker, 13. Others helping the cause were Tommy Johnson, 8; Foy Norwood, 6; Stan Reaves, 2; Rick Thomas, Wally Colson, Mark Holloway, Mike Watson and Bill Schroer, Brad Bradberry, with 13 points, was offense leader for the Packers.

In the girls game the Kittens had a shaky 25-24 lead at the half. But they turned on the steam in the second half to win by a comfortable margin.

Lucille Dawson gave a sparkling 32-point performance. She got plenty of scoring help from Barbara Knoll, 14, and Betty McClenny, 12. Defensive standouts were guards Euloise Hamill, Diane Quattlebaum and Susan Rodgers. They held Moultrie's 6-2 Martha Jean Flowers to just 13 points.

Totals in the boys contest showed Valdosta scored 25 field goals and made good on 20 of 26 tries from the free throw line. The Wildcats were charged with 21 fouls. Moultrie made 13 field goals and hit on 19 of 33 tries from the charity line. The Packers were charged with 19 fouls.

GIRLS	
Valdosta	72 25 41 58
Moultrie	45 24 33 45
VALDOSTA (58) — Dawson 32, McClenny 12, Knoll 14, Hamill, Quattlebaum, Rodgers.	
MOULTRIE (45) — Flowers 13, Norman 18, Prince 10, Lane 5, Walden, Smithson, Bozeman.	

BOYS	
Valdosta	70 28 44 70
Moultrie	45 19 29 45
VALDOSTA (70) — Steele 24, Wells 17, Wisenbaker 13, Johnson 8, Norwood 6, Reaves 2, Thomas, Colson, Holloway, Watson, Schroer.	
MOULTRIE (45) — Bradberry 13, Croft 11, Passmore 9, Tucker 6, Lawson 2, Holmes 2, Montgomery 2.	

Tribe Tops 'Cats; Kittens Notch Win

SPECIAL TO TIMES

ALBANY — Valdosta's Kittens gained a triumph that assured them of a state tournament berth while the Wildcats dropped a two-point decision in a twin-bill with Albany's Indians and Squaws here Saturday night.

Coach Bill Davis' Kittens rolled to a 52-29 win. This boosted their overall record to 16-6, upped their Region 1-AAA mark to 4-1

and extended their current winning streak to seven games.

Albany's tall Indians edged past the 'Cats, 53-51. The setback left the VHS quintet with a 15-8 record in all games and a 4-7 mark in 1-AAA competition. The Wildcats had a three-game victory string snapped.

The Kittens will meet Warner Robins here Friday night in their final 1-AAA outing. They dropped

an early-season contest to the Robins lassies. But if they can win this next time out, the VHS sextet will share the region girls championship with Warner Robins. Regardless of the outcome of the tilt Friday, Davis' charges are now assured of a berth in the state Class AAA girls tourney. The Kittens are defending "AAA" state champs.

Since the 1-AAA boys championship will be decided in a post-season tourney, the Wildcats' loss to the Indians did not affect their title chances. Still, the loss was a heartbreaker.

Valdosta trailed during the early going, but owned a 37-34 lead at the start of the final period. But the Indians reclaimed the lead, built up a four-point advantage and withstood a Valdosta rally at the finish to win.

The 'Cats finished with a 23-18 edge in the field goal department. But while Valdosta was making five of eight fouls shots, the Indians were making 17 of 25 from the charity line. VHS was charged with 15 fouls and Albany was charged with only seven.

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Dud Dodgen gunned in 22 points and Boogie Hill got 12 to pace the Albany attack. Alvie Steele, 19, and Bill Wisenbaker, 12, led the Valdosta offense.

The Kittens scored their win with the help of a balanced attack. Lucille Dawson got 13 points, Betty McClenny made 17 and Barbara Knoll accounted for 15.

With guards Euloise Hamill, Diane Quattlebaum and Susan Rodgers sharp on defense, the Squaws managed just 12 points in the first half.

GIRLS

Valdosta 16 28 45 52
Albany 6 12 20 29

VALDOSTA (52) — Dawson 13, McClenny 17, Knoll 15, Hamill 5, Smith 3, Potts 2, Deloach, Quattlebaum, Rodgers, Martin, Harris, Geer.

ALBANY (29) — Fable 13, Jones 11, Yielding 2, Davis 2, Johnson, Hughes, Heldman, Lagewin, Rancy.

BOYS

Valdosta 5 17 37 51
Albany 14 20 34 53

VALDOSTA (51) — Steele 19, Wisenbaker 12, Wells 8, Johnson 7, Reaves 3, Thomas 2, Watson, Norwood.

ALBANY (53) — Dodgen 22, Hill 12, Holmes 8, Benson 7, Chestnut 2, Barnard 2.



—Times Staff Photo

Lots Of Admiration By A Star For A Star

Mrs. Hogan said She Knew Miss Wall Would be Selected for Honor

HISTORY INSTRUCTOR IS NAMED STAR TEACHER

By MARY DICKEY

An American history teacher who has lived in Valdosta only three years has been chosen by Valdosta High School's Star student as the school's Star teacher.

Angela Kane Wall was named Star student by the VHS faculty last week and it was announced to the student body.

She in turn named her history instructor Mrs. Gladys Hogan as the teacher who had helped her the most.

"I still can't get over the surprise of being selected as the Star teacher. I thought Angela would be chosen because she is such a superior student," said Mrs. Hogan.

Mrs. Hogan received her B. S. degree from Georgia State College for Women at Milledgeville and has done work at the University of Georgia and Florida State University.

Miss Wall is the 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wall of 2104 Azalea Dr. He is principal at Lowndes County High School.

Although this is just her third year at VHS and in Valdosta, the Star senior is president of the Beta Club and treasurer of the French Club.

She is a finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Contest and it was on the basis of her high test score that she was selected for the honor.

Last year she was awarded the DAR's American History Medal.

This award is given annually to the student with the highest average in the American history.

She is presently serving as the senior editor on the Sandspu staff, the school's annual.

Miss Wall plans to enter Agnes Scott or Emory University next fall. Her outside interests include painting and playing the piano.

The Star student is selected from the results of the College Board Exams and the pupil's overall average while in high school.

Miss Wall and Mrs. Hogan will represent VHS in the district contest to be held later.



—Times Staff Photo

DE Club Winners With Speaker

Clarence Walker With Marilyn Rykard and Billy Rowe

Valdosta High DE Club Bestows Honors At Country Club Banquet

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Distributive Education Club of Valdosta High School wound up its biggest week of the year Friday night with an employe-employer banquet and the bestowing of honors for outstanding members.

In addition, the club named three new life members and heard a rollicking speech by Clarence N. Walker, a Coca-Cola Company executive.

Marilyn Rykard was presented the DE Student of the Year trophy and Billy Rowe, president of the club, received the Warren Horton Memorial Award.

Other awards included coordinator's award for the most improved student, Elizabeth Pritchard; spelling and essay, Miss Rykard; manuals, Larry Price and Judy McMullen; math, Bobby Young; job interview, Miss

Pritchard; sales demonstration, Joy Ratigan; and speech, Arthur Ray Baker.

Selected as life members were Mrs. E. E. Pipkin of Pipkin's Motors, Bob Sykes, director of Valdosta Boys Club, and W. H. Bridges, principal of Valdosta High School.

The banquet, held at the Valdosta Country Club, climaxed a week of DE promotion here and operation of a downtown store on DE Day Thursday.

The DE Alumni Club presented Gail Griffin and Bobby Young trips to the state leadership conference as outstanding juniors.

Walker advised students to get started on their life's goals as early as possible.

He listed as the greatest of accomplishments the ability to get along with people.

Walker said the key to this is

"tolerance of everything worthy of it...despite race, creed, or color."

Three other major requirements for success and happiness are vision, faith, and courage to accomplish project goals, added Walker.

Valdosta, Robins Play Here Tonight

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta Wildcats and Kittens will open a busy basketball weekend when they meet Warner Robins in a Region 1-AAA twin-bill here tonight.

On Saturday the 'Cats and Kittens will be at "home" again. The VHS sextet will meet the Coffee County lassies from Douglas while the 'Dosta boys go against Willingham's Rams from Macon in a regional test.

Starting time for both doubleheaders is 7 p. m. They will be played at the Valdosta High gym.

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Warner Robins' Demonettes have a perfect 5-0 loop record. Both the Valdosta and Robins sextests have already clinched state tournament berths.

In an earlier meeting at Robins, the Demonettes beat the Kittens, 57-52. The Valdosta girls are defending state champs.

Coach Bill Kittrell's Wildcats and the Demons from Warner Robins will also be meeting for the second time tonight. In an early-season affair at Robins, the 'Cats posted a 69-60 triumph.

The Valdosta boys have a 15-8 overall record and a 4-7 league mark. The Demons are 12-10 overall and 6-3 in regional play.

The Coffee County girls team that will come here Saturday night, trimmed the Kittens, 46-43, in an earlier game at Douglas. And Willingham's Rams edged the 'Cats, 46-44, in an overtime affair at Macon.

In another doubleheader tonight Clinch County's Panthers (15-5) and Pantherettes (13-8) will go against Manor's quintet and sextet at Manor.

The Clinch teams will have revenge on their mind. In earlier games the Manor boys shaded the Panthers, 44-42, while the Manor girls beat the Pantherettes, 42-33.

In other games Saturday involving area teams, Omega will be at Echols County (Statenville),

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'CATS PICK CAPTAINS

'Dosta Cagers Face Robins Here Friday

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens will have a lot at stake during a pair of basketball twin-bills they will play here this weekend.

The slate calls for the VHS cagers to meet Region 1-AAA foe Warner Robins on Friday. Then on Saturday the Kittens will tangle with Coffee County (Douglas) while the 'Cats meet 1-AAA opponent Willingham (Macon).

Tomorrow night the Kittens will be shooting for a co-champion's share of the 1-AAA girls title.

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Win or lose, coach Bill Davis' charges have already earned a state tourney berth. They are defending state "AAA" girls champs. They will carry an overall record of 16-6 and a seven-game winning streak into their game with Robins.

In earlier meetings, the Kittens lost to both Robins and Coffee County.

Coach Bill Kittrell's Wildcats won't have to worry about regional title honors until the 1-AAA boys meet is staged at Columbus later this month.

But victories over the Warner Robins Demons and Willingham Rams would help put them in the right frame of mind for the

ney. The 'Cats are 15-8 in all games and have a 4-7 regional mark. They beat the Demons, 69-60, earlier in the season at Robins, but dropped a 46-44 decision to the Rams in an overtime affair at Macon. Robins has a 12-10 overall record and a 6-3 league mark. Willingham is 4-15 for the season and 2-6 in regional play.

This week the Wildcats elected Alvie Steele and Bill Wisenbaker to serve as co-captains. Up to now the 'Cats have been picking captains on a game-to-game basis.

With some area teams involved in tournaments, the weekend slate of regular season games is relatively light.

In another twin-bill Friday, Clinch County will be at Manor. In other games Saturday, Omega will be at Echols County (Statenville), Moultrie at Lanier County (Lakeland) and Georgia Christian at Alabama Christian (Montgomery, Ala.).

Clinch's Panthers will be playing a rematch with Manor's Indians. Last time Manor posted a 44-42 victory. The Panthers will have revenge on their minds tomorrow night.



BARBARA KNOLL
Kitten Forward

Wildcats, Kittens Chalk Up Victories

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens got a measure of revenge as they swept a doubleheader here Saturday night that marked the close of their regular seasons.

The Wildcats turned back Willingham's Rams of Macon, 59-43. The Kittens licked the Coffee County Comets from Douglas, 58-42. In earlier games the 'Cats had bowed to the Rams and the Kittens were trimmed by the Comets.

Coach Bill Kittrell's Wildcats closed the regular season with a 17-8 overall record and a 6-7 regional mark. They will play in the Region 1-AAA tourney next week at Columbus. The triumph over Willingham was the third in a row for the VHS quintet.

Coach Bill Davis' Kittens finished up their regular campaign with an 18-6 record in all games and a 5-1 regional mark. The win Saturday night was the ninth straight for the VHS sextet.

The Kittens have already clinched a state tourney berth and at least a co-champion's share of the 1-AAA girls title. Warner Robins, which has a 4-1 league mark, plays Moultrie on Friday. If Robins wins it will deadlock for first with the Kittens and a playoff will be needed to decide how the two Region 1-AAA entries will be seeded in the state tournament. If Robins loses, the VHS lassies will claim the regional crown and will go to the state meet as the number one team from 1-AAA.

The Valdosta cagers were to meet Tifton in another twin-bill this coming Friday night. But Tifton will be playing in the Region 1-AA (South) tournament and its games with 'Dosta have been cancelled.

The duel between the 'Cats and Rams Saturday night was close for two periods. Valdosta went out at the half with a 25-20 lead. In the third period the Wildcats got their attack rolling in high gear. When the stanza ended, VHS was out front 48-27 and on its way to victory.

Valdosta offered a balanced attack with four players scoring in double figures. They were Alvie Steele, 13; Bill Wisenbaker, 12; Rick Thomas, 11, and Leo Wells, 10. Others helping the cause were Tommy Johnson, 8; Wally Colson, 3; Foy Norwood 2, Stan Reaves, Mike Watson and Bill Schroer.

Jack Mote, with 13 points, led the Willingham attack.

The Wildcats scored 19 field

goals and hit on 21 of 30 free throw tries. They were charged with 14 fouls. Willingham got 17 field goals and made good on nine of 17 tries from the charity line. The Rams were charged with 21 fouls.

The girls game was close for three quarters. The Kittens started the final stanza with only a four-point lead. But they finished strong to win by a comfortable 16-point margin.

Scoring leaders for Valdosta were Betty McClenny, 24; Lucille Dawson, 18, and Barbara Knoll, 16. Defensive stickouts included guards Euloise Hamill, Diane

Quattlebaum and Susan Rodgers. Diane Cooper, with 26 points, was the attack leader for Coffee County.

GIRLS	
Valdosta	11 23 36 58
Coffee Co.	7 16 32 42
VALDOSTA (58) — McClenny 24, Dawson 18, Knoll 16, Hamill, Quattlebaum, Rodgers, Bazemore, Martin.	
COFFEE COUNTY (42) — Cooper 26, Childs 12, Simmons 4, Raper, McKinnon, Cole, Johnson, Hursey, Powell.	

BOYS	
Valdosta	11 25 48 59
Willingham	8 20 27 43
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WILLINGHAM (43) — Mote 13, Bryant 12, Pulliam 7, Olson 6, Clay 2, Levarette 2, Bowen 1.	

Poet Star Leads 1-AAA Point Race

By ELWOOD MOYER

COLUMBUS — With the end of the regular season turning up this weekend, Lanier's Woodrow Fincher is leading the Region 1-AAA individual scoring race.

The Poet sharpshooter is setting the pace with 465 points in 22 games for a 21.13 average. In 12 regional games he has scored 272 for a 22.67 average and a new 1-AAA record.

Former record for scoring in regional games was set by Baker's Gordon Darrah in 1956-57 when he tallied 314 points in 14 league outings for a 22.43 average.

Holding down second place in scoring for all games this season is LaGrange's Randy Mahaffey with a 19.00 average. Albany's Boogie Hill is third with a 17.30 average.

Three Valdosta players are in the top 20. Alvie Steele ranks 10th with 303 points in 22 games for a 13.77 average. Leo Wells is 13th with 278 points in 23 games for a 12.08 average. Bill Wisenbaker is 16th with 272 points in 24 games for a 11.33 average.

Leading individual scorers follow:

Player, Team	G	P	Avg.
1. Fincher, Lanier	22	465	21.13
2. Mahaffey, LaGrange	19	361	19.00
3. Hill, Albany	20	346	17.30
4. Garnto, Jordan	19	323	17.00
5. Smith, Columbus	17	266	15.64
6. Briggs, Lanier	21	306	14.57
7. Dodgen, Albany	23	326	14.17
8. Bryant, Willingham	18	252	14.00
9. Tucker, Moultrie	19	265	13.94
10. Steele, Valdosta	22	303	13.77
11. Heath, Warner Robins	24	329	13.70
12. Mosier, Baker	21	278	13.23
13. Wells, Warner Robins	23	278	12.08
14. Lord, LaGrange	17	203	11.94
15. Mitchell, Columbus	18	207	11.50
16. Wisenbaker, Valdosta	24	272	11.33
17. Benson, Albany	23	253	11.00
18. Channell, Warner Robins	24	258	10.75
19. Williams, Jordan	19	202	10.63
20. Denny, Baker	20	204	10.20
21. Hurston, Jordan	19	185	9.73
22. Croft, Moultrie	22	214	9.72
23. Bradberry, Moultrie	22	190	8.63
24. Olson, Willingham	23	194	8.43
25. Whitley, Columbus	18	149	8.27

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Times Sports Editor

Guards' Improved Play Pleases Kittens' Coach

In football it has been said often that the interior linemen, who have an important job but often receive little credit, are the unsung heroes of the grid sport.

By the same token, guards are often unsung heroines of girls basketball.

A forward's performance in a game can, in part, be charted by how many points she makes. With the guards it's a different matter. There are no statistics to show how well she did her job, except the opposing team's score.

But make no mistake about this fact. Any girls basketball team which has a successful record must have a good set of guards as well as some sharpshooting forwards.

After a rather shaky start coach Bill Davis' Valdosta Kittens have come on strong and are now assured of a co-champion's share of the Region 1-AAA girls championship and a state tournament berth.

A young and inexperienced crew, the Kittens were beaten four times in their first seven starts. But they went on to win 15 of their next 17 outings, with both of the losses to junior college foes.

Davis is proud of all his players, but thinks the improvement made by the Kittens' guard corps of Diane Quattlebaum, Susan Rodgers and Euloise Hamill deserves special praise.

"When the season started I figured the play of our guards would be the key to our success," Davis said. "We had only limited experience at forward, but I had the feeling that Lucille Dawson, Barbara Knoll and Betty McClenny would give us a strong scoring combination. Let me say right now that our forwards have also improved and I'm mighty proud of them. All of them are averaging in double figures and we have had good balance in regards to scoring in the majority of our games.

State Tourney Tough

"But our guards have made even more improvement than I really expected. And let me tell you right, now. You can't win consistently without good guard play. We've been getting very good guard play lately."

The Kittens are defending state champions and since they are sure of getting another shot at the Georgia Class AAA girls crown, let's hear what Davis has to say on that subject.

"Same thing which hurt us at the start of the regular season is going to make it tough on us in the state tournament," Davis said. "Of course, I'm talking about a lack of experience.

"Our team has made improvement, but unless a girl has played in a state tournament before it is difficult for her to really understand how tough the competition can be.

"We have just one player, Lucille Dawson, who saw front line action in the 1961 state tourney. For the others it's going to be a new experience.

"So we will be going to Atlanta with the odds stacked against us. Still, I'm mighty proud of the girls. They've all worked hard and they've made steady improvement. And really, a coach can't ask for much more than that."

Eaglettes Deserve Praise

While we are speaking of girls basketball teams which have made improvement, coach Rodney Fain's Lowndes County Eaglettes should be mentioned.

Certainly the improvement the youthful Eaglettes made under their "freshman" mentor is not reflected in their 6-17 record.

Fain was new to the senior high coaching ranks this season and he faced a major rebuilding job with a squad that was top-heavy with freshmen and sophomores. Several girls that were counted on for front line duty were forced to miss from one to quite a few games because of various reasons.

But take it from the coaches whose teams played against the Eaglettes. The LOHI lassies made great strides from the start to the finish of the season.

Thing which impressed me the most was that they hustled all the way, despite the fact that they were losing more often than winning. Fain shares my feelings.

"We didn't win many, but the girls showed fine spirit all the way," Fain said. "Next season if they keep that same spirit and continue to improve maybe we can boost our won-loss record. I feel that this season we got started in the right direction."



GLASSMAN

TD Club's Banquet To Honor Wildcats

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Fifteen individual awards will be made at the Valdosta Touchdown Club's annual football banquet here Saturday night.

The event is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at the Valdosta High cafeteria.

Honored guests will be the Valdosta Wildcats who compiled a 12-0 record last fall and captured the state Class AAA grid crown for the second year in a row.

While all of the 'Cats and their coaches, Wright Bazemore, Bill Kittrell, Bill Davis, Bill Bennett and J. B. Roland, will be in the spotlight, a dozen VHS players will be given individual awards.

Awards to be made to Valdosta players include Most Valuable, Most Outstanding, Wildcat Spirit, Sportsmanship, Best Blocking Back, Best Defensive Lineman, Best Defensive Back, Most Improved Back, Most Improved Lineman, Outstanding Back and Outstanding Lineman.

In addition, the Valdosta junior varsity's Best Back and Best Lineman will be honored along with the player selected by the 'Cats as their Outstanding Opponent.

The Wildcat Spirit award will be given by the Valdosta Jaycees. The Valdosta Exchange Club will make the Sportsmanship award.

The Most Outstanding award will come from J. L. Futch. The Most Valuable award will be from Carl Minchew. The others are to be given by the TD Club.

The awards ceremony will be just one feature of the banquet agenda.

Guest speaker for the occasion will be Noah Langdale Jr., a former Valdostan who is now president of Georgia State College in Atlanta. Langdale, a line star at the University of Alabama in the 1940's, is nationally famous as an after dinner speaker. He is an ex-president of the TD Club.

To be shown at the banquet is a movie of a game involving Massillon, the 1961 Ohio state prep football champ. The National Sports News Service of Minneapolis, Minn., ranked Massillon first and Valdosta second in the nation among high school elevens.

Touchdown Club members may attend the banquet without additional charge. Those who aren't members may join Saturday night and attend the banquet.

Coaches and sports writers from throughout the state have been invited to be on hand for the function which climaxes the TD Club's "season."

TD Club Grid Banquet On Tap Here Tonight

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Climax of the Valdosta Touchdown Club's "season" turns up tonight when the organization of gridiron fans stages its annual football banquet.

The event is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at the Valdosta High cafeteria.

In the spotlight will be the 1961 Valdosta Wildcats who compiled a 12-0 record during a march which carried them to their second Class AAA championship in a row.

The 'Cats and their coaches — Wright Bazemore, Bill Kittrell, Bill Davis, Bill Bennett and J. B. Roland — will be honored guests.

Former Valdostan Noah Langdale Jr., a man well known as a football player, educator and after dinner speaker, will give the principal address.

Langdale once played and coached football at the University of Alabama. He is now president of Georgia State College in Atlanta.

There will be a ceremony during which a dozen VHS varsity players, two junior varsity griders and the Wildcats' Outstanding Opponent will be given individual awards.

The awards will be presented by the TD Club, the Valdosta Jaycees, the Valdosta Exchange Club, Carl Minchew and Jewel Futch.

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BAZE PRAISED IN HOUSE BILL

ATLANTA (AP) — The Georgia House received today and prepared to adopt before final adjournment a resolution of praise and commendation for Valdosta High School's football coach, the veteran Wright Bazemore.

Rep. Roger Budd of Lowndes County offered the resolution to memorialize his fellow townsman and there was no doubt that his colleagues would shout their approval whenever an opportunity came for it to be called up.

In part the resolution said: "The General Assembly is cognizant of the fact that Georgia produces some of the greatest football talent to compete in college and professional contests. The astounding success of such great football players is due in great part to the fine coaching they receive in Georgia high schools.

"Wright Bazemore is a coach who continually produces such players. He has had nine state championship teams in his 17 years at Valdosta."

The resolution said Bazemore teams won the AAA title in 1960 and 1961 and now had a string of 24 victories. In the past Bazemore teams had consecutive victory strings of 40 and 30.

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WRIGHT BAZEMORE Memorialized Again

tive victories than any other AAA coach and was the first active coach to be voted into the High School Hall of Fame. He has built a record of 179 victories, 27 defeats and 3 ties at Valdosta.

The resolution said his coaching ability and daily standard of living should be highly commended.

Six From Area On 'Star' Game Nominee List

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Six area gridders — four from Valdosta and one each from Lowndes and Berrien counties— have been tapped by coaches and sportswriters as prospects for the annual high school All-Star football classic.

Nominees for the "South" squad include end-halfback Jerry Var-nado, fullback - linebacker Butch Luke, quarterback Bruce Bennett, guard Gary Minchew, all of Valdosta, center David Cowart of Lowndes County and tackle Elliott Garner of Berrien County.

They are on the list of 174 nominees for the game that will be played Aug. 2 at Atlanta. From the list of nominees, 30 will be selected for both the North and the South teams. The remaining players will be alternates.

The actual team rosters will be known in June. Coaches for the game will be picked by the Georgia Athletic Coaches Association at a later date.

VHS, Robins Girls Tie For First

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Kittens and Warner Robins' Demonettes finished the race for the Region 1-AAA girls basketball crown in a tie and they have been declared co-champions.

Coach Bill Davis' Kittens closed out region play last week with a 5-1 mark. The Demons finished regional action on Saturday with a 50-47 triumph over Moultrie. This also gave the Demonettes a 5-1 record in league play.

Both the Kittens and Demonettes will represent the region in

the Class AAA tourney. The VHS girls are defending state champs.

However, a playoff game will be needed to decide how the 1-AAA representatives will be seeded in the state meet. The date and site for the playoff haven't been set yet.

Regardless of who wins in the playoff, the Kittens' and Demonettes' status as 1-AAA co-champs will remain unchanged.

Robins Seeks 1-AAA Tie With Kittens

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's basketball Kittens will be more than mildly interested in the outcome of a game tonight between the Warner Robins Demonettes and Moultrie Pack-erettes at Moultrie.

The Kittens have already closed out regular season play with a 5-1 record in 1-AAA competition. The Demonettes are 4-1 in league play going into tonight's game at Moultrie.

Should the Demonettes lose tonight, the Valdosta lassies will claim the region championship.

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While both Valdosta and Warner Robins are already assured of berths in the state Class AAA girls tournament, if they finish in a tie a playoff game will be staged.

The playoff will determine the seeding of the two 1-AAA representatives in the state tourney.

IN 1-AAA TOURNEY

Baker Opening Foe For 'Dosta Quintet

COLUMBUS, Ga. (AP) — Six teams have received byes in the opening round of the Class 1AAA regional basketball tournament that will open Wednesday.

The pairings were made by representatives of the regional schools at a meeting Sunday.

In the upper bracket, Willingham, the 9th place team, will play Moultrie, the 10th place team, at 7:30 Wednesday. Valdosta (8th) will play Baker of Columbus (7th) at 9 p.m.

In the upper bracket, Columbus, in first place, Lanier, in third, and Jordan of Columbus, in fifth, received byes. In the lower bracket, Albany, in fourth place, LaGrange, in sixth, and Warner Robins, in second, received byes.

Thursday's games will be Albany vs. LaGrange at 4 p.m.; Lanier vs. Jordan at 5:30 p.m.; Columbus vs. the Willingham-Moultrie winner at 7:30 p.m.; and Warner Robins vs. the Valdosta-Moultrie winner at 9 p.m.

The semi-finals will be played Friday with the upper bracket game at 7:30 and the lower bracket game at 9 p.m.

Saturday, a consolation game will be played at 7:30 and the

championship game at 9.

All games will be in Columbus Municipal Auditorium.

Vaunted Valdosta To Be Honored

Special to The Atlanta Journal

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Fans Shower Praise On 'Dosta Gridders

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Writer

More than 400 football faithfuls showered words of praise and congratulations on the 1961 Valdosta High football Wildcats here Saturday.

The occasion was the Valdosta Touchdown Club's annual football banquet. The Wildcats — winners of 12 straight games; state Class AAA champs for the second year in a row; ranked first in Georgia and rated second in the nation — were in the spotlight.

It was an affair during which joy and serious emotions were felt by all present.

Noah Langdale Jr., a former Valdostan who is now president of Georgia State College in Atlanta, gave the principal address.

He first had the audience laughing at his humor, then standing and applauding the serious mes-

sage he offered.

"We are here to celebrate a great moment," Langdale, a former University of Alabama line star, said, "And I'm proud to be a part of it. The price to pay is tough, but these boys paid it. They deserve to be number one."

"Football is important, and make no mistake about that. It is the last place in our society where we can test our men. At the same time, we should all know why we have schools. We have schools because we want our children prepared to run better in the race of life."

A dozen Valdosta varsity players, two junior varsity gridders and Warner Robins quarterback were presented a total of 15 individual awards.

VHS varsity players received the following awards:

Bruce Bennett — Most Valuable and Best Back; Giles Smith — Most Outstanding; Frank Wetherington — Spirit of Wildcats; Billy Schroer — Best Lineman; Bill Myddleton — Best Defensive Lineman; Butch Luke — Best Defensive Back; Gary Minchew — Best Offensive Blocking Lineman; Walter Zant — Best Blocking Back; Jerry Varnado — Sportsmanship; Skipper Prewitte — Most Improved Lineman; Stan Reaves — Most Improved Back. Warner Robins' slick passing quarterback Jackie Hammond was honored as the Wildcats' outstanding opponent. Junior varsity players receiving awards were Tommy Dove, Best Lineman, and Terry Godwin, Best Back.

Bennett was selected by his teammates as the 'Cats' Most Valuable for the third year in a row. The three-years-in-a-row feat was the first ever for this award.

A resolution passed by the Georgia House of Representatives commending the Wildcats' grid boss Wright Bazemore was read. The mentor received a standing ovation when he went forward to accept an official copy of the resolution.

"I want to thank the Touchdown Club and all the fans here for the outstanding support they have given our team," Bazemore said. "You are the number one Touchdown Club in the nation and this is the greatest football town in the world."

Bazemore introduced and had praise for the members of his staff Bill Kittrell, J. B. Roland, Bill Davis and Bill Bennett. He also praised junior high mentors Joe Wilson and Tom Moody.

The VHS gridiron chief introduced the varsity players and cheerleaders. Junior varsity players were introduced by coach

Bennett.

A special award was given to Mrs. J. C. Hunt, who was in charge of preparations of the meal for the banquet.

The coaches were presented gifts from the players, with Bruce Bennett doing the honors.

Taking part on the awards ceremony were Bill Crooks, Red Sikes, Oris Blackburn, Raymond Sutton, Carl Minchew and Harry Luke.

Retiring TD Club president Joe Griffin served as master of ceremonies and introduced the principal speaker.

The club voted in a slate of officers for 1962 as follows:

John B. Lastinger Jr., president; Jimmy New, vice president; Lane Renfro, vice president; Art Koch, secretary-treasurer and directors Joe Griffin, Bob Quattlebaum, Worth Green, John Holcombe, Earl Cunningham and Paul Hatcher.

The nominating committee report was given by Tom Scott. Others taking part on the program were Howard Bridges and the Rev. Frank King.

Visiting coaches included Speck Towns of the University of Georgia; Sandy Hersey and John Donaldson of the University of Florida; W. L. (Dynamite) Goodloe Jr. and Lew Woodruff of Georgia Tech; Billy Grant of Valdosta State College; David Barker of Warner Robins High; Earl O'Neal and Gordon Bray of Waycross High and Lamar Wynn of Clinch County High.

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—Times Staff Photos

Coach, TD Club Official Proud Of 'Cats'

Bazemore, Lastinger, Griffin Talk About Successful Season



Valdosta Gridders With Trophies They Received At Banquet

They are (L to R), 1st row, Stan Reaves, Skipper Prewitte, Butch Luke, Bruce Bennett, Frank Wetherington, Billy Schroer, Gary Minchew; 2nd row, Giles Smith, Jerry Varnado, Walter Zant, Bill Myddleton, Terry Godwin, Tommy Dove.

1-AAA Squares Off Bound for Atlanta

By CHARLIE ROBERTS

Region 1-AAA, which has produced more state AAA basketball champions than any other region, will engage in "civil war" for the next four days before combining forces in an attempt to regain lost prestige in the GHSA's Atlanta Constitution-sponsored state tournament next week.

Eight of 10 teams in the 1-AAA tournament, which will begin Wednesday at the Columbus City Auditorium, are given chances to be among the region's four representatives in the Feb. 27-March 3 state meet at Alexander Coliseum.

And south Georgia folks are hoping the "right" quartet of quintets win those spots with victories in Thursday's quarter-final round. For although 1-AAA has won 20 of 40 state meets since 1922, Greater Atlanta teams have shut them out of the winner's circle for the last five years since Baker won it in 1956.

Willingham will tip-off with Moultrie at 7 o'clock Wednesday night and Valdosta will take on Baker at nine. But Columbus, the regular-season champion for the fourth time in six years, is favored to win the tournament.

Larry Oswalt's Columbus Imps, 18-3 over-all and 11-1 in region play, received a first-round bye along with Lanier, Jordan, Albany, LaGrange and Warner Robins. The Imps need only to whip the Willingham-Moultrie winner Thursday to get into The Constitution's big meet in Atlanta.

Woodrow Fincher of Lanier,

Randy Mahaffey of LaGrange and Boogie Hill of Albany, Lawton Garnto of Jordan and Jerry Smith of Columbus finished as the top five in the individual scoring race to all intents and purposes — although one or two regular-season games are yet to be heard from.

Fincher hit 479 points for a 20.8 average while Mahaffey, third Mahaffey brother to play for Al Mariotti at LaGrange in recent years, netted 411 points in 21 games for a 19.57. Hill tallied 401 points in 22 outings for an 18.2 average.

Smith, who kept the Imps rolling, played in 20 games and his 15.25 average was compiled with an output of 305 points. Garnto, who came on fast near the end, finished with a 17.3 mark.

Columbus, which dropped only road games to Phenix Central, Eufaula, Ala. and Jordan, 52-47, 64-49 and 49-43, finished three games ahead of Lanier, but the Poets led the region in team scoring with 758 points to 738 for Columbus in 12 region games.

Defensively, Bubba Ball's Baker Lions allowed only 558 points in 12 games, while Columbus foes hit for only 568. LaGrange foes — with one game to go — had managed only 531.

Seven teams went into the tournament with over-all winning records. Only Jordan, Moultrie and Willingham failed to play .500 ball or better, and late-blooming Jordan won five of its last seven battles.

Warner Robins, which won out over regular-season champion Co-

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Drummer Cops Talent Contest At Dosta High

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

A tall brown-haired sophomore at Valdosta High School with a knack of playing drums, beat his way to first place Friday night during the Beta Club Talent Show.

Buck Paulsen, 15, was acclaimed the undisputed winner of the annual talent revue held in the VHS auditorium, not only by the judges but by the students as well.

The popular teen-ager has been playing drums or just plain beating on anything handy for as long as he can remember.

Buck composed his own num-

ber for the show, "And There Were Drums."

"I have always liked the drum number 'Let There Be Drums' so I made a follow-up to it," Paulsen said. "I was sure surprised when I won though 'cause there were so many good acts in the contest."

Jennifer Howse and Sally Coleman landed the second place slot with their versions of various Kingston Trio songs.

Third place went to Genie Rogero.

She did a skit entitled "At the Movies."

A singing group consisting of Susan Rogers, Marianne Stump, Gail Bazemore and Margaret Ann Smith were named to the honorable mention spot.

Cash prizes were awarded to the first, second, and third place winners.

Bill Wisenbaker was master of ceremonies for the evening.

Angela Wall presented club advisor Mrs. Mary L. Harris with a gift during the program.

Also during the intermission the "Who's Who" for the freshman, sophomore, and junior classes was read.

AT COLUMBUS

'Cats Open Tourney Play Against Baker

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats go against Baker's Lions tonight at Columbus in one of a pair of games that will get the four-day, Region 1-AAA boys basketball tournament underway.

The tourney lidlifter will be a 7:30 p.m. affair between the Willingham Rams of Macon and the Moultrie Packers at Columbus city auditorium.

Coach Bill Kitrell's small but scrappy 'Cats will square off against coach Bubba Ball's tourney host Lions at 9 p.m.

Four second round games are slated Thursday with title favorite Columbus, defending champ Warner Robins, Lanier, LaGrange, Albany and Jordan seeing action for the first time that night.

The slate for the games to be played Thursday is as follows:

LaGrange vs Albany, 4 p.m.; Lanier vs Jordan, 5:30 p.m.; Columbus vs Willingham-Moultrie winner, 7:30 p.m.; Warner Robins vs Baker-Valdosta winner, 9 p.m.

The Wildcats will carry an overall record of 17-0 and a regional mark of 6-7 into the tourney. They finished eighth in the regional standings for the regular season.

Baker compiled a 12-11 chart for the year and a 6-6 regional make. The Lions tied for seventh place in the loop standings.

The 'Cats and Lions met once during the regular season with Valdosta turning in one of its top performances of the year to gain a 62 - 56 "home" court triumph.

This time the Lions will have the "home" court advantage.

Four teams from the region will play in the state Class AAA tourney. The berths will go to those who make it to the semi-finals in the affair at Columbus.

1-AAA

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lumbus in the 1961 tournament, will defend its championship. Valdosta last year won a berth in the state AAA meet for the first time, but has been only so-so this season.

FINAL 1-AAA SEASON RECORDS

Teams	W.	L.	P.	Opts.
Columbus	18	3	1,250	1,066
Albany	17	8	1,493	1,330
Valdosta	17	8	1,443	1,195
LaGrange	12	9	1,084	1,020
Lanier	13	10	1,343	1,224
Warner Robins	13	11	1,430	1,454
Baker	12	11	1,110	1,109
Jordan	10	11	1,192	1,227
Moultrie	5	18	1,098	1,326
Willingham	5	19	1,228	1,421

Teams	W.	L.	P.	Opts.
Columbus	11	1	738	568
Lanier	8	4	758	736
Warner Robins	7	4	686	654
Jordan	7	5	702	684
Albany	6	5	638	640
LaGrange	6	5	586	531
Baker	6	6	571	558
Valdosta	2	7	652	611
Willingham	2	10	592	705
Moultrie	0	11	496	732

Note: Does not include Friday's LaGrange-Albany and Saturday's Warner Robins-Moultrie games.

1-AAA SCORING LEADERS

Player, Team	G.	P.	Ave.
Fincher, Lanier	23	479	20.82
Mahaffey, LaGrange	21	411	19.57
Hill, Albany	22	401	18.22
Garnto, Jordan	21	364	17.33
Smith, Columbus	20	305	15.25
Steele, Valdosta	24	340	14.16
Biggs, Lanier	23	324	14.08
Bryant, Willingham	19	264	13.89
Head, Warner Robins	24	333	13.87
Dodgen, Albany	25	346	13.84
Tucker, Moultrie	20	267	13.35
Mosier, Baker	21	278	13.23
Wells, Valdosta	24	295	12.29
Wisenbaker, Valdosta	25	296	11.84
Lord, LaGrange	19	221	11.63
Mitchell, Columbus	21	239	11.38
Benson, Albany	25	280	11.20
Williams, Jordan	21	224	10.66
Channell, Warner Robins	24	262	10.91
Bradberry, Moultrie	22	231	10.50
Denny, Baker	22	224	10.18
Croft, Moultrie	23	221	9.60
Hurtson, Jordan	21	201	9.57
Hunter, Warner Robins	24	212	8.85
Coch, Warner Robins	25	220	8.80
Olson, Willingham	24	200	8.33
Note, Willingham	20	160	8.00
Bross, Columbus	20	159	7.95
Henderson, Jordan	19	151	7.94

1-AAA—WINNERS SINCE 1951
 1951—Lanier 10-2; 1952—Lanier 11-1;
 1953—Lanier 9-3; 1954—Baker-Moultrie 9-3;
 1955—Baker 14-0; 1956—Baker 13-1; 1957—
 Columbus 13-1; 1958—Columbus 13-1; 1959—
 Baker 17-1; 1960—LaGrange 17-1; 1961—
 Columbus 11-1; 1962—Columbus 11-1.

WEDNESDAY 1-AAA TOURNAMENT GAMES
 AT COLUMBUS AUDITORIUM — 7:30
 p.m., Willingham vs. Moultrie; 9:00, Val-

Imps, Poets Top-Ranked In 1-AAA Tourney Field

Anyone who tries to form chart any kind of athletic contest involving Region 1-AAA teams is, to say the least, living dangerously.

If the sport happens to be the very unpredictable game of basketball, then the chances of anyone making a correct prediction are remote.

It so happens the subject for today is the Region 1-AAA boys basketball tournament which opens tonight at Columbus.

You ardent hoop fans know that anything can happen in a single elimination tourney like the one to be staged at Columbus' City Auditorium. And the way things stack up, there are several teams which might go all the way in the 1-AAA test.

Top favorite is coach Larry Oswald's Columbus Blue Devils. They finished the season with an 18-3 record in all games and an 11-1 chart in regional play. Both were top marks in the 10-team circuit.

Columbus has height, speed, experience and depth. That's a mighty tough combination to beat, but it can be done.

The Imps went into the 1961 tourney at Albany ranked as the favorite, and they lost to Warner Robins' Demons in the finals.

But if someone is going to beat Columbus this year, conditions are going to have to be just right.

Lanier's Poets, who have a front line that average's 6-5 and the loop's top scorer, are ranked second on the pre-tourney form chart. The Poets' top gun is stocky Woodrow Fincher who sports a 20.8 scoring average.

The Poets started slowly this year, but finished fast. Their overall record of 13-10 and loop mark of 8-4 doesn't give a true picture of their talent. In other words they are better than their record.

VHS In 'Darkhorse' Group

All of the so-called experts seem to think Columbus and Lanier are a cut above the others in the field. But Jordan knocked off Columbus during the regular season and several others came close to beating the Imps. And as Lanier's record shows, the Poets also took their lumps on more than one night. Since they are in the same bracket, one or the other isn't going to make it to the finals.

Anyway, the form chart pegs Albany, LaGrange, Warner Robins, Baker, Jordan and Valdosta in a group that might produce the tourney darkhorse.

Only Willingham and Moultrie aren't rated as possible title contenders. But basketball being the kind of game it is, the Rams or the Packers might surprise someone along the way.

Now let's take a close look and see what kind of chance coach Bill Kittrell's Valdosta Wildcats might have.

The 'Cats finished with a 17-8 overall record this season. But it made only a 6-7 showing against regional foes and finished eighth in the league standings.

All of the 'Cats' setbacks were by slim margins. The worst licking they took was a six-point loss to Columbus.

Alvie Steele, Bill Wisenbaker, Leo Wells, Tommy Johnson, Rick Thomas, Foy Norwood, Wally Colson and Stan Reaves have seen most of the front line action this season. Several others have played enough to be considered at least semi-experienced performers.

Not Sure What Will Happen

I consider the 1961-62 VHS crew a good ball club. When things are going right for them, they can be mighty tough to beat.

But they lack height. The tall boy needed to get the ball off the backboards simply isn't there. And every other team in the field with the exception of Willingham and Moultrie, has one or more talented players in the 6-4 to 6-7 class.

But last year the 'Cats finished eighth in the regular season regional standings and went on to claim fourth place in the 1-AAA test and earn a state tourney berth.

"Frankly I don't know how we are going to do," Kittrell said just before he and his charges departed for Columbus. "I do know the Baker team we meet on opening night is tough. The boys know our situation. We're little and we've got to give a superior effort to have a chance against anyone we play."

"Some folks have said we shouldn't feel bad about the eight games we've lost because they were all by close margins. Well, in a tournament a loss will knock you out regardless of how slim the margin of difference might be. We play Baker in the first round, and right now that's the only game we are thinking about."

That's the way it looks. I really can't predict the winner, but it's a sure bet that a good tournament is in the offing. And here's wishing the 'Cats the best of luck.



GLASSMAN

VALDOSTA TOPS DEMONS, 53-48

LaGrange Trips Albany, 65-48;
Richmond, Cadets, Savannah Win

Special to The Atlanta Journal
COLUMBUS, Ga., Feb. 24—

The eighth-seeded Valdosta High Wildcats scored their second big upset here Thursday night as they ousted second seeded Warner Robins 53-38. Fifth seeded Jordan dropped the No. 3 Lanier Poets in a thriller by a score of 62-58 to join Columbus and LaGrange in the semifinals of the Region 1-AAA tourney.

Sixth seeded LaGrange also scored a mild upset in downing fourth-place Albany 65-48 while top seeded Columbus alone remained among the favorites as the Imps got by Willingham 68-59.

All four winners won a trip to the state Class AAA tourney in Atlanta next week.

In play Friday night, Columbus and Jordan will meet at 7:30 while LaGrange and Valdosta will clash at 9 in the semi-finals.

LaGrange hit for a total of 21 points in the opening period in the opening game of the quarter-finals Thursday and took a 21-7

advantage over Albany and from there went to leads of 31-19 and 50-30 at the end of the periods.

Glenn Lord took scoring honors for the Grangers with 10 field goals and four charity baskets for 24 points while Randy Mahaffey had four field goals and 13 foul baskets for 23 points. Sub Ken Adams paced Albany with 13 points.

THE JORDAN Red Jackets came from behind in a thrilling finish to edge the Lanier Poets 62 to 58 after trailing at one time in the game by 14 points. Sam Fulford hit two field goals to put the game away after Lawton Garnto tied the score at 58-all with 39 seconds of play remaining.

Mike Williams was the leading scorer for the Jackets with 23 points but it remained for sub Larry Goodman to hit for 10 points to spark the Jordan comeback. Woodrow Fincher of Lanier, the top scorer in the region, tallied 20 points for the Poets who led 14-10, 29-22, and 47-36 at the end of the quarters only to lose as Jordan hit for 26 points in the final period.

Columbus took a 68-59 win over Willingham as Barry Mitchell hit for 18 points after a scoreless first period. Bobby Bryant took the scoring honors for the day with 25 points for Willingham.

LAGRANGE (45)—Gillam 9, Foster 6, Smith 5, Lord 24, Mahaffey 21, Gaylord, Howell, Shackelford, Mansour, Lancaster, Hinson and Pike.

ALBANY (48)—Benson 10, Hill 6, Barnard 2, Dodger 11, Holman, Wallis 2, Adams 13, Chestnut 4, Parker, Sell.

JORDAN (62)—Henderson 4, Williams 23, Hurston 1, Fulford 8, Garnto 16, Goode, Goodman 10, Paulk.

LANIER (58)—Seward 2, Gerhardt 9, Biggs 15, Bonifay 12, Fincher 20, Worsham.

COLUMBUS (44)—Mitchell 18, Romeo 11, Whitley 9, Bross 5, Smith 11, Humes 2, Hatcher 6, McAllister, Perry 6.

WILLINGHAM (59)—Bryant 25, Gaines 9, Leverett 8, Olson 9, Pulliam 8, Mote, Bowen.

VALDOSTA (53)—Steele 18, Johnson 8, Thomas 11, Wisenbaker 10, Wells 6, Watson, Norwood.

WARNER ROBINS (38)—Muba, Cecil 9, Heath 14, Hammond, Knight 3, Hunter 4, Channell 6, Havrilla 2.

Valdosta Trips Robins, 53-38

'Cats To Meet Grangers In 1-AAA Semi-Finals

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

COLUMBUS — Valdosta's small, but scrappy Wildcats thumped Warner Robins' Demons, 53-38, in the second round of the Region 1-AAA boys basketball tournament here Thursday night and with the triumph accomplished three things.

First, they kept their hopes of winning the regional title alive. Second, they assured themselves of a state tournament berth for the second year in a row. Third, they made sure 1-AAA will have a new champ since the Demons were defending titleholders.

Coach Bill Kittrell's Wildcats join LaGrange's Grangers, Co-

Valdosta radio station WGOV will broadcast a play-by-play account of tonight's Valdosta-LaGrange basketball game. The 'Cats are to meet the Grangers in the semi-finals of the 1-AAA tourney at Columbus at 9 p.m. WGOV will begin its broadcast of the contest at 8:50 p.m.

Columbus' Blue Devils and Jordan Red Jackets in the semi-finals tonight.

In other games last night Columbus, the title favorite, knocked off Willingham, 68-59; Jordan upset second-ranked Lanier, 62-58, and LaGrange steamrolled past Albany, 65-48.

Columbus will meet Jordan at 7:30 and Valdosta will tackle La-

Grange at 9 p. m. in the semi-finals tonight. The losers will meet in a game to decide third place and the victors will play for the championship on Saturday.

Last year LaGrange went into the tourney second-seeded, but the Wildcats surprised them in the second round. That means the 'Cats will be meeting a revenge-minded foe tonight. The 'Cats also have a reason for wanting some revenge. They dropped a 35-34 decision to Grangers at LaGrange during the regular season.

The 'Cats offset a slow start with a fast finish to turn back Warner Robins.

The Demons led throughout the first half, holding Valdosta to but 2 points in the first quarter.

In the second period Bill Wisenbaker and Rick Thomas began to find the range and the 'Cats pulled within 2 points at 20-18 at halftime.

On the first play of the third period, Thomas knotted the score at 20 all with a layup.

During this period the score was tied five times and changed hands on three occasions before Valdosta emerged ahead 32-30 at the break.

From this point Valdosta was never headed. Using the fast break to perfection, and with Alvie Steele on the business end, the 'Cats enlarged the lead to the final margin.

Steele led the Valdosta scores with 18 points, 15 of which came in the final period.

Thomas finished with 11 points and Wisenbaker accounted for 10. They got plenty of help from Tommy Johnson, 8; Leo Wells, 6, Foy Norwood and Mike Watson.

VALDOSTA (53) — Steele 18, Johnson 8, Thomas 11, Wells 6, Wisenbaker 10, Norwood, Watson.

WARNER ROBINS (38) — Cecil 9, Muha, Heath 14, Hammond, Knight 3, Havilla 2, Hunter 4, Channell 6.

Score at half: Warner Robins 20, Valdosta 18.

Kittens Slate Playoff Game With Demonettes

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta Kittens and Warner Robins Demonettes have scheduled a special basketball playoff game for next Tuesday night at Albany.

Coach Bill Davis' Kittens and the Demonettes are Region 1-AAA girls co-champions. Both finished with 5-1 regional records this season.

Regardless of the outcome in the special playoff, they will remain co-champions.

The playoff will determine which goes to the state tournament as the No. 1 team and which goes as the No. 2 team from the region.

The state tourney will open March 15 in Atlanta. The Kittens are defending state champs.

The Valdosta and Warner Robins girls divided a pair of games during the regular season. The Demonettes triumphed 57-52 in an early season affair at Warner Robins. The Kittens notched a 54-46 win in a contest here near the close of the campaign.

Baker Upset by Valdosta In First 1-AAA Surprise

Bryant Leads Willingham Past Packers

Special to The Atlanta Journal

COLUMBUS, Ga., Feb. 22—Coach Bill Kittrell's eighth place Valdosta Wildcats took on the role of the tourney "dark horse" here Tuesday night as the 'Cats scored a convincing 58-37 win over the Baker Lions in the first round of the fifth Region 1-AAA tourney which opened here at the Municipal Auditorium.

In the other first-round game, the Willingham Rams, paced by Bobby Bryant, scored a 61-39 decision over the Moultrie Packers. Both clubs had 5-19 records for the season.

In the night session, Columbus and Willingham meet in the opener at 7:30, after which Warner Robins plays Valdosta at 9.

Valdosta, 17-8 for the season but only 5-7 in region play, put the Baker game away early as the 'Cats took a 17-4 lead at the end of the first period of play. The Lions outscored Valdosta, 11-9, in the second period and both clubs had 11 points in the third quarter.

HOWEVER, VALDOSTA came up with 21 points in the final period while Baker could get but

11. Alvie Steele hit five field goals in this period and had 19 points for the night. Leo Wells and Bill Wisenbaker both added 12 points as the 'Cats hit 21 out of the 40 shots from the field.

Colby Mosier and Bill Denny topped the Baker scorers with 14 points each. Bryant hit for a total of 15 points in the last half as the Willingham Rams scored 42 points in the final two periods of play to take the night's opener, 61-39.

WILLINGHAM (61)—Games (7), Pulliam (4), Leverett (4), Olson (11), Bryant (20), Bowen (2), Mote (3), Clay (1), Goss, Payne (4), Good, Harris, McCullough.

MOULTRIE (39)—Croft (14), Passmore (1), Tucker (9), Bradberry (8), Montgomery (0), Rossman, Jim Holmes, John Holmes (4), Rainwater, McElroy (3).

VALDOSTA (58)—Wells (12), Steele (19), Johnson (2), Wisenbaker (12), Thomas (9), Watson (2), Reaves, Coison, Norwood (2), Schorer.

BAKER (37)—Pat Cooper (4), Reed (2), Mosier (14), Denny (14), Sanborn, Cofer, Valeska, Mike Cooper, Layfield, Miller (3), Bassett, Casex, Griffin, Davis.

LaGrange, Jordan, Columbus,

Valdosta Get 1-AAA Wins

Finals Set For Saturday

Special to The Constitution

COLUMBUS — LaGrange, Jordan, Columbus and Valdosta notched opening round victories in the Region 1-AAA Tournament at the municipal auditorium here Thursday.

LaGrange pounded Albany in

Richmond, Jenkins Make State Field

Special to The Constitution

SAVANNAH — Richmond Academy, Jenkins, Benedictine, and Savannah High emerged as the representatives of Region 2-AAA in The Atlanta Constitution-sponsored State Class AAA Tournament at the Sports Center here Thursday night.

Jenkins pulled away from Aquinas in the second half and won going away, 60-42; Richmond Academy had a much easier time disposing of Groves, 60-29; Benedictine blistered Coffee County, 76-53; and Savannah High tripped Glynn Academy of Brunswick, 66-38.

In the semifinals Friday night Jenkins and Richmond will face-off at 7:30, and Savannah and Benedictine at 9. Winners will meet Saturday for the championship.

Lynn Rutherford of Savannah led the scoring parade for the day, pumping in 20 as the Blue Jackets pummelled Glynn. Jay Redhan had 19, 19, and Richard Lutz 17 for Benedictine.

In the State Class AAA Tournament at the Alexander Coliseum in Atlanta, Region-Two teams will face Region One, the top-seeds in each region face the last seeds in the other and on down the line.

The four winners here Thursday all won as expected. Savannah High and Richmond finished in a tie for the regular season championship, and Jenkins and Benedictine deadlocked for second place.

JENKINS (60)—Lee 13, Buchanan 19, Richardson 4, Warren 14, Mock 4, Pentecost 2, Hatcher 4.

AQUINAS (42)—Kavanagh 14, Neal 8, Lyons 9, Kirkey 2, Turley 2, Kearnes 4.

RICHMOND (60)—Woodward 14, Lambert 3, Dortch 11, Ray 10, Davis 2, Van Landingham 2, Bowcock 6, Dunn 6, A. San Fratello 4, G. San Fratello 2.

GROVES (29)—Carver 4, Jack Long 3, Blissett 3, Jerry Long 8, Grove 4, Ogleby 4, Shelton 2, Baker 4.

Halftime Score: Richmond 36, Groves 11.

BENEDICTINE (76)—Brennan 11, Rabhan 19, Spence 8, Lutz 17, Sims 9, Saunders 12.

COFFEE COUNTY (53)—R. Hinson 9, Corbett 6, Lewis 9, Vickers 7, Harper 8, White 6, Scott 2, L. Hinson 4, Mixon 2.

Halftime Score—Benedictine 35, Coffee 22.

SAVANNAH (66)—Ewaldsen 7, Allen 5, Dobbs 12, Rutherford 20, George 9, Sims 5, Shuman 2, Carter 2, Sewell 2, Weeks 2.

GLYNN (38)—Ploeger 8, Becker 9, Welch 9, Plunkett 9, Shoemaker 3.

Halftime Score—Savannah 26, Glynn 16.

the opener, 65-48, behind the twin sharpshooting of Glenn Lord with 24 points and Randy Mahaffey with 21.

Jordan overtook Lanier, 62-58, after trailing at the half, 29-22. Mike Williams supplied the offensive fireworks for the victors with 23 points. Woodrow Fincher scored 20 for Lanier.

Barry Mitchell dropped in 18 points in leading Columbus to a 68-59 win over Willingham. Bobby Bryant sparkled for the losers with 25 points.

In the nightcap, Valdosta rolled over Warner Robins, 53-38. Albie Steele accounted for 18 points in the winning cause. Skip Heath was high man for the losers with 14.

Columbus will meet Jordan at 7:30 and LaGrange will face Val-

dosta at nine in the semi-finals here Friday night.

REGION 1-AAA BOYS

LAGRANGE (65)—Wayne Gillam 9, Jim Foster 6, Randy Mahaffey 21, Glenn Lord 24, Harley Smith 5, Donnie Hiwell, Charles Gaylord, Walter Shackelford, Mike Hinson, Johnny Pike.

ALBANY (48)—Renson 10, Howard Bernard 2, Boogie Hill 6, Dub Dodgen 11, Tod Holman, Wallace 2, Adams 13, Chestnut 4, Bucky Parker, Glenn Sil.

SCORE AT HALF: LaGrange 31, Albany 19.

JORDAN (62)—Lamar Henderson 4, Mike Williams 23, James Hurston 1, Sam Fulford 8, Lawton Garnton 16, Larry Goodman 10, Lamar Goode, Ken Paulk.

LANIER (58)—Tommy Seward 2, Al Gerhardt 9, Don Biggs 15, Woodrow Fincher 20, Ken Bonifay 12, Worsham.

SCORE AT HALF: Lanier 29, Jordan 22.

COLUMBUS (68)—Barry Mitchell 18, Jack Romeo 11, Tom Whitley 9, Jerry Smith 11, Walter Bross 5, Jim Humes 2, Pinky Hatcher 6, Jim McAllister, Al Perry 6.

WILLINGHAM (59)—Bobby Bryant 25, Pete Gaines 9, Jerry Leverette 8, Clyde Olson 9, Ralph Pulliam 8, Larry Mote, Mark Bowen.

SCORE AT HALF: Columbus 32, Willingham 22.

VALDOSTA (53)—Albie Steele 18, Tommy Johnson 8, Rick Thomas 11, Leo Wells 6, Bill Wisenbaker 10, Foy Norwood.

WARNER ROBINS (38)—Bill Cecil 9, Ken Muha, Skip Heath 14, Alton Knight 3, Jack Hammond, Mike Hunter 4, Clarence Channell 6, John Havrilla 2.

SCORE AT HALF: Warner Robins 20, Valdosta 18.

'Cats Thump Baker, 58-37

Valdosta Plays Robins In 2nd Round Tonight

SPECIAL TO TIMES

COLUMBUS — The Valdosta Wildcats quickly assumed the now accustomed role of "darkhorse" by rolling over Baker's Lions, 58-37, here Wednesday night in one of two games marking the start of play in the Region 1-AAA boys basketball tournament.

Last year at Albany the unheralded Wildcats scored successive wins over Willingham and LaGrange to gain a berth in the state Class AAA tourney in Atlanta.

Tonight they meet Warner Robins' Demons in the second round needing a triumph to be assured of a return trip to the state tourney. The game is set for 9 p. m.

Valdosta met and beat Warner Robins twice during the regular season. However, the 'Cats' victories over the Demons were by slim 69-60 and 61-59 margins.

In another game last night, Willingham's Rams gunned down Moultrie's Packers, 61-39.

Also on the agenda for this afternoon and tonight are the following games:

LaGrange vs Albany, 4 p. m.;
Lanier vs Jordan, 5:30 p. m.;
Columbus vs Willingham, 7:30 p. m.

Columbus, which paced the league during the regular season, is the tourney favorite with Lanier ranked second on the form chart. Valdosta finished eighth in the 1-AAA standings for the regular season.

Last night it was Valdosta all the way over Baker. After a slow start the Bill Kittrell coached Wildcats moved solidly in front and coasted to the win.

A fast break and unerring shooting eyes proved the difference, with a sturdy defense thrown in for good measure.

Valdosta hit 52.5 per cent (21 of 40) from the floor while coach Bubba Ball's Lions hit only 27.0 per cent (15 of 51).

Alvie Steele lead the Valdosta attack with 19 points. Not too far behind were Bill Wisenbaker and

Leo Wells, with 12 each, and Rick Thomas, 9. Others helping the cause were Tommy Johnson, 2; Mike Watson, 2; Foy Norwood, 2; Wally Colson, Stan Reaves and Billy Schroer.

VALDOSTA (58) — Steele 19, Wisenbaker 12, Wells 12, Johnson 2, Thomas 9, Watson 2, Norwood 2, Colson, Reaves, Schroer.

BAKER (37) — Mozier 14, Denny 14, Reed 2, P. Cooper 4, Layfield 3, Coker, Sanborn, M. Cooper, Layfield, Bassett, Valeska, Davis, Casey.

LaGrange Trips Valdosta, 48-38

Wildcats, Blue Devils Duel For 3rd Tonight

SPECIAL TO TIMES

COLUMBUS — The title ambitions of the Valdosta Wildcats received a severe jolt here Friday night as the rangy LaGrange Grangers dropped the South Georgians into the consolation game with a 48-38 defeat in the semi-finals round of Region 1-AAA basketball tournament.

In the opening game of the semi-final round, the upset-minded Jordan Red Jackets duplicated a regular season feat and tripped top-seeded Columbus, 63-55.

Jordan and LaGrange collide tonight at 9 p.m. for the regional championship. Columbus and Valdosta fight it out for third spot at 7:30.

All four teams will represent the region in the "AAA" state championships opening at Alexander Memorial Coliseum on campus at Georgia Tech next Tuesday. The final order of finish in the meet here determines the pairings in the state tourney.

Friday, it was just a matter of too much height on the part of LaGrange.

With only one man standing over the six foot mark, Valdosta found it impossible to cope with such Granger giants as 6-6 Randy Mahaffey and 6-5 Mike Henson. Mahaffey paced the LaGrange scorers with 22 points — 18 of which came in the first half.

Alvie Steele was the Valdosta hot shot with 21 counters.

Coach Bill Kittrell said that the height advantage of LaGrange was the major difference. He also noted the 20 fouls called on his team, saying that they also were a major factor.

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Won Rebound Duel And Game---Kittrell

By BILL SCHEMME

While the five o'clock madness of Atlanta raced to a crisis outside, Valdosta's tobaccoland Wildcats were overcoming a first-quarter dilemma of their own making to dismiss Jenkins of Savannah from the state tournament in the comparative solitude of Alexander Coliseum.

And if the fistful of Valdosta and Jenkins enthusiasts, the popcorn and drink peddlers, and a goodly number of early afternoon drifters were surprised at the outcome of a game in which the fourth-place team from Region One so thoroughly boxed the Region One champions, Coach Bill Kittrell didn't raise an eyelid.

"I said before the game started," smiled the elated coach, "that if we could keep them off the boards, we could win the ball game. Well, that's what we did," added Kittrell.

"Early in the game," he went on, "it was obvious that our man-to-man defense wasn't going to stop that big man Lee. After he made three baskets, I decided to switch to the zone press. It was only the second time this year that we have used it, but you saw how it worked.

"I thought the hustle of our team really was what won it for us."

Coach Joe Sparks of the Warriors was more than a little disheartened by his team's performance, noting that "it's a long way back home after losing one like that."

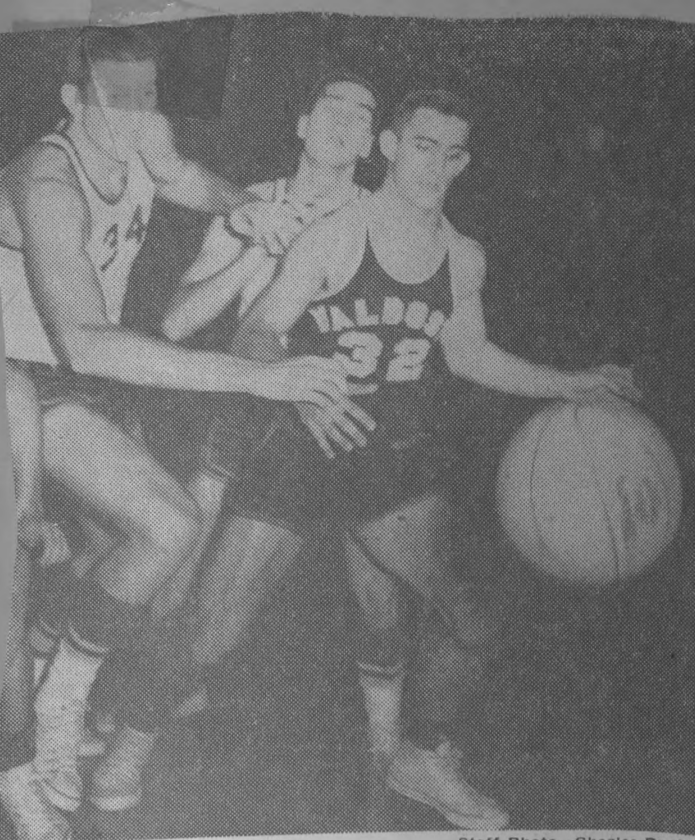
COLISEUM NOTEPALE—Valdosta's Alvie Steele lost one of his contact lenses down the drain before game time and had to go in specs. . . . Coach Charlie Aldridge of Russell, commenting on Marist's loss to Murphy Tuesday night, quipped that "they looked like Russell." . . . Jenkins' Cardinal-Red cheering corps headed a small

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Rebounding Won It For Cats---Kittrell

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but loud Warrior contingent. . . . Coach Joe Sparks of Jenkins noted that playing regular season games in a "big gym" like Savannah's new sports center helped him team get ready for the tournament in the big dome. . . . Aldridge of Russell pointing to Cherokee of Canton as a "team to watch" and predicting a Cherokee win over Dykes. . . . Al Mariotti of LaGrange, a perennial "crier," moaned that "I've got four boys on my team that dribble with their feet." . . . Valdosta's comeback from a 17-5 first period lag won the support of the many neutrals in the Alexander crowd. . . . Pete Coombs of the vanquished Marist Cadets pointing to Brown as the "team to beat." . . . Coach Bill Kittrell of Valdosta lauded play of non-starter Tommy Johnson, hobbled by a sprained ankle, as outstanding for his Wildcats. . . . Sparks of Jenkins noted that "if we did have an outstanding player it was Emory Lee."



Staff Photo—Charles Pugh

Valdosta Surprises Jenkins To Advance in AAA, 63-44

Cats Erase Early Deficit

By CHARLIE ROBERTS

Valdosta High's Wildcats, long the scourges of Georgia football, clawed their way into basketball prominence Wednesday with a come-from-behind, 63-44, upset victory over the Jenkins Warriors in the first round of the GHSA's Atlanta Constitution-sponsored State Class AAA Tournament.

In the evening's second game, Brown beat Campbell-Smyrna, 66-59.

Coach Bill Kittrell's South Georgians spotted the tall-in-the-saddle



Staff Photo—Charles Pugh

BUBBA MOCK (50) GETS REBOUND FOR JENKINS AGAINST VALDOSTA

Two Unidentified Wildcats In On Play In State AAA Tournament Action Wednesday

12th straight state tournament loss for 2-AAA, whose teams haven't won a decision here since the 1959.

The Valdosta victory was the third first round decision by a 1-AAA quintet, and will send the Wildcats against the Dykes-Chero-

kee survivor at 4:30 p.m. in Thursday's quarterfinals.

Jordan and Columbus, second

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THURSDAY AAA QUARTERFINALS AT ALEXANDER COLISEUM—4:30 p.m., Valdosta vs. Dykes-Cherokee winner; 6 p.m., North Fulton vs. Jordan; 7:30 p.m., Murphy vs. Columbus; 9 p.m., Brown-Smyrna Campbell winner vs. LaGrange-Benedictine winner.

region 2-AAA champions an early 17-6 bulge and then snipped their winning string at 10 straight with a sharp press.

Ball-hawking tactics of the speedier Wildcats paid off for the fourth placers of 1-AAA after they discovered they could not cope with the towering Warriors under the boards.

Alvie Steele, Rick Thomas and Bill Wisenbaker, a trio of three-year regulars, twitted the Alexander Coliseum twine for 16, 15 and 15 points. Leo Wells and Tommy Johnson pitched through eight each to help offset a 20-point stint of Emory Lee, Jenkins' 6-3 senior forward.

But the upset story was written not so much in the statistics charts as in a remarkable 27-point binge in the last quarter when the clever Wildcats, protecting a slight advantage, hit 17 of 19 free throws.

For this tip-off first round game on the second day of play, Valdosta players stuffed in 21 of 24 charity pitches as compared to eight for 11 by Jenkins.

When it was done the Wildcats had won the field goal tussle, 21-18, but Joe Sparks' Warriors held their own in that department until the Wildcats started playing it coy and smart to preserve their lead in the late stages.

The setback for Jenkins was the

Valdosta Springs Surprise, Topples Jordan in AAA Play

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and third place finishers in 1-AAA, whipped Richmond Academy and Savannah, 65-56 and 68-62, in Tuesday openers. Two Atlanta teams, North Fulton and Murphy, shaded R. E. Lee and Marist, 47-41 and 50-47.

Murphy sliced Marist's 26-game winning streak even though the losers' Terry Murray outscored the winners' Roy Jarrett in a great duel, 27-26.

Jordan will play North Fulton at 6 p.m. Thursday, Columbus and Murphy collide at 7:30, with the 9 o'clock game pitting the LaGrange-Benedictine survivor and the Brown-Campbell winner.

Cats Kill Giants

The 6-7, 6-5, 6-3 and 6-2 dimensions of Robert Richardson, Eddie Elmore, Emory Lee and Steve Buchanan stood Jenkins in good stead as Lee hit eight points,

Richardson seven for a 15-6 first quarter lead.

But Bill Kittrell sent the swift Wildcats into a pay off press and they led at other quarter stops, 25-21 and 36-35. After that the 1-AAA quickies, stealing the ball often and playing it smart, pulled steadily away.

Steele hit six foul shots in as many tries and scored 10 points in that sharp 27-point last quarter. Thomas tallied eight points. Wells and Wisenbaker were also perfect 5 for 5 and 4 for 4, from the free throw line in that period. In fact, Thomas missed the only three foul shots on which the Valdostans miscued all night.

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Jenkins	15	6	14	9-44

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From Outer Space

Jordan's victory, in which the red Jackets led by 20-14, 33-28 and 43-35 at the quarter stops, was achieved by bombs from "outer space." Bombardiers were Law-

North Fulton gradually pulled away with some clutch outside shooting by Eddie Dunn and quick, effective spot work by Ted Grob and Dick Stephens.

NORTH FULTON	11	12	11	12
R. E. LEE	12	10	7	14

NORTH FULTON (47)—George Bur 2, Dick Stephens 11, Johnny Cash, Eddie Dunn 10, Ted Grob 5.
R. E. LEE (41)—Charles Stewart, Bill Thompson 2, Tommy Murphy 17, than Cook 8, Lamar Dyche 8.

Duel at Home

Murray and Jarrett began point-dueling early, each stabbing in six counters as Murphy took a 15-9 lead at the first quarter mark. Jarrett faked out defenders and drove in for three fielders—he also hit two free shots—the teams matched 12-point second quarters for a 27-21 halftime.

Murray gunned in nine of Marist's 10 third-period tallies, Jarrett moved in for six of Murphy's 12, and it was Murphy on top 39-31 going into the final thrilling chapter.

Guard Armstead Brown abetted Murray's eight last-quarter counters with five of his own.

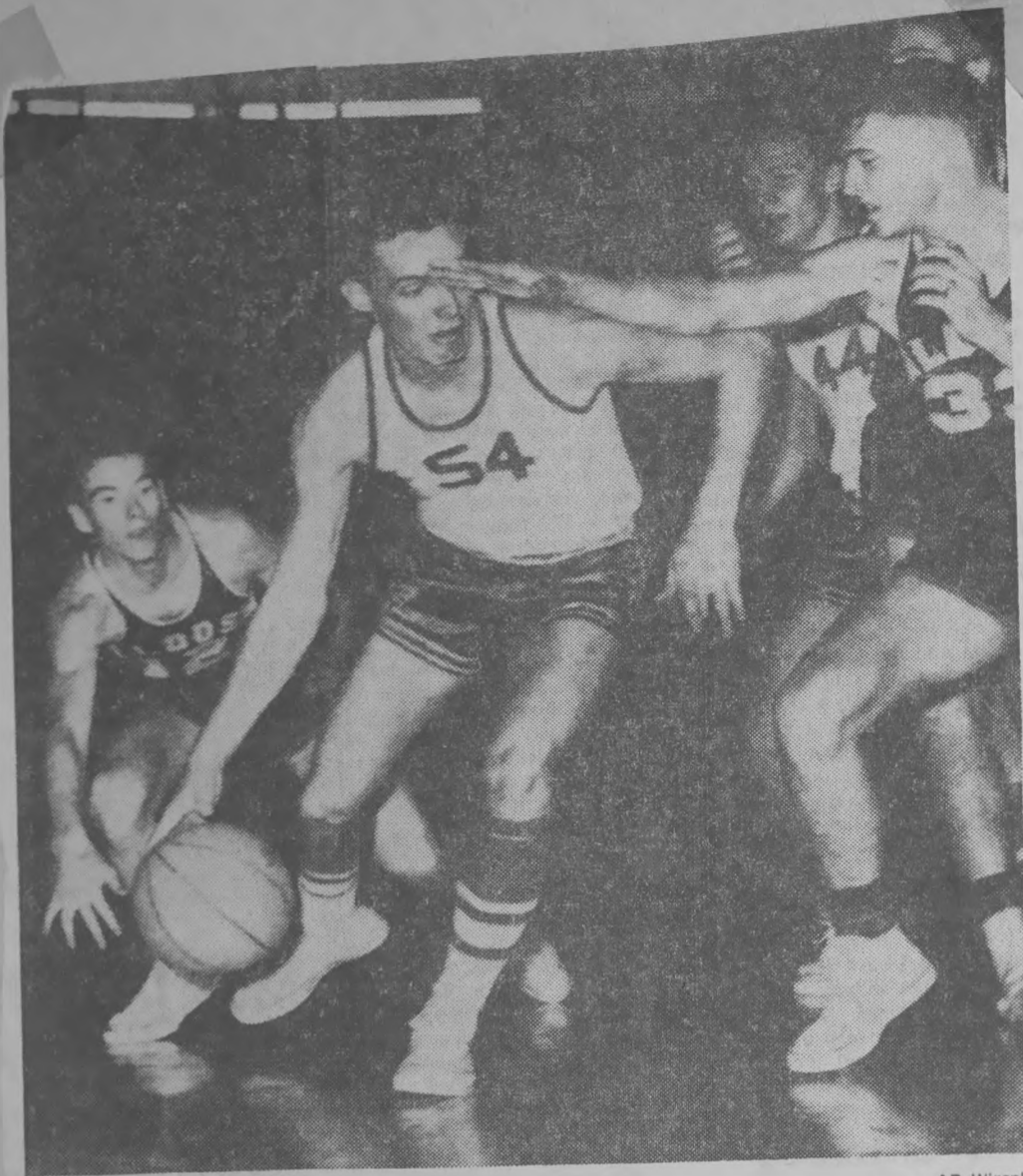
MURPHY	15	12	12	11-33
MARIST	9	12	10	16-44

MURPHY (50)—Roy Jarrett 26, Jimmy Berry 7, Al Huff, Randy Carroll 6, Danny Take 2, Mac Perry 7.
MARIST (47)—Terry Murray 27, Tom Schaeffer 2, Terry Ryan 8, Armstead Brown 7, Neal Morgan 2, Pete Wall, Charlie Hurst.

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VALDOSTA'S BILL WISENBAKER DRIBBLES
Robert Richardson, Another Jenkins Man, Move In on Defense



—AP Wirephoto

'Cats Have Jenkins' Woody Pentecost (54) In A Pocket

Tommy Johnson (12) On One Side, Leo Wells (33) On Other

Wildcats Trip Jenkins, 63-44

Compiled from Local and Wire Reports

Valdosta's Wildcats hustled back into action this afternoon after scoring their first triumph in a state Class AAA boys basketball tournament at Atlanta on Wednesday.

Coach Bill Kitrell's small, but scrappy 'Cats upset Jenkins' tall Warriors from Savannah 63-44, to move into the quarter-finals of the state meeting being played at Georgia Tech's Alexander Memorial Coliseum.

Valdosta was to go against Cherokee County at 4:30 p. m. in the round of eight. Cherokee was a 56-36 victor over Dykes (Atlanta) yesterday. In other games, LaGrange beat Benedictine 64-51 and Brown (Atlanta) whipped Campbell (Smyrna) 66-59.

Slate of other games today is as follows:

Jordan (Columbus) vs North Fulton, 6 p. m.; Columbus vs Murphy (Atlanta), 7:30 p. m.; LaGrange vs Brown (Atlanta), 9 p. m.

Valdosta moved up to Class AAA in 1958 and made it to the state boys tourney for the first time in 1961. Last year the Wildcats bowed out in the first round.

But Wednesday it was a different story. The Valdosta quintet offset a slow start with a torrid

finish to halt Jenkins' 10-game victory streak and send the No. 1 delegate from Region 2-AAA to the sidelines.

Behind 11 points with 7:45 left in the second quarter, the 'Cats went into a full court press and made eight consecutive thefts before Jenkins could get to half court. Valdosta went ahead to stay with 3:15 left in the period.

Rick Thomas and Tommy Johnson made six of the steals and Stan Reaves and Bill Wisenbaker got the others.

Jenkins made a rally of its own late in the third period and closed the gap to two points with only four seconds gone in the fourth. But Thomas, Alvie Steele, Leo Wells and Wisenbaker put it away in the next two minutes. Wells, Thomas and Wisenbaker each collected two free throws apiece and Steele an easy layup before Jenkins could score.

The Wildcats went on to outscore the Warriors 27-9, in the final stanza.

Steele led the scoring with 16 points. Close behind were Thomas and Wisenbaker with 15 each. Wells tallied nine points and Johnson accounted for eight. Reaves failed to score, but did his share to help the cause with his fine defensive play.

Emory Lee was attack leader for Jenkins with 20 points.

Brown dispatched Campbell to the sidelines during a furious three - minute span in the fourth quarter which saw the Atlanta Rebels outscore their Smyrna rivals 10-1 after Campbell had pulled into a 49-49 deadlock on two quick baskets by 6-foot-5 Rufus Adair. Adair paced the scorers with 23 points. Charles Kenny of Brown, state AAA scoring leader during the regular season, topped the winners with 18.

Randy Mahaffey of LaGrange was high man for the second day. He led the Grangers with 26 points as they made it a grand sweep for Region 1 against Benedictine. The Savannah team led briefly in the opening minutes but never threatened seriously once Mahaffey and long-range gunners Wayne Gillam (14 points) and Jimmy Foster (10) began finding the range. Richard Lutz led Benedictine with 18 points, eight of them coming in the final quarter.

Cherokee County whipped Dykes with a well played zone defense. Dykes couldn't hit from outside and was never a factor. Cherokee's Lamar Moody led the scoring with 15 points, 11 of them on free throws.

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JENKINS (44) — Warren, Lee 20, Richardson 9, Buchanan 5, Mock 4, Pentecost, Elmore, Tippet, Quarles, Hatcher 6.

Valdosta Tops Jenkins; Benedictine Falls, 64-51

By GENE ASHER

Coach Harold Scott looks upon the birth of a beautiful, eight-pound, nine-ounce baby girl as a good-luck omen.

When the baby arrived last January, Scott's Cherokee High School Indians had just lost their third straight game. Since then, they have won 21 of 22, including 19 in a row.

Victory No. 21 came Wednesday night at Alexander Memorial Coliseum when the unheralded Indians outclassed Atlanta city runner-up Dykes, 56-36, in the second half of the State Class AAA basketball tournament's opening round. The tournament is co-sponsored by The Constitution and Georgia High School Association.

IN OTHER games, Brown clipped Campbell of Smyrna 66-59, in a classic which should have been reserved for the finals; LaGrange thrashed Benedictine of Savannah, 64-51, and Valdosta upset Jenkins of Savannah, 63-44.

ASHER'S PICKS

Winner	Time	Loser
Cherokee	4:30	Valdosta
North Fulton	6:00	Jordan
Murphy	7:30	Columbus
Brown	9:00	LaGrange

Wednesday's record: Three right, 1 wrong—750.
Tournament record: Five right, 3 wrong—625.

A paid crowd of 3,738 watched. Cherokee's victory over Dykes was not surprising but the manner in which it manhandled its foe was.

"Somebody had better start taking these people seriously," Dykes Coach Jack Glasgow said afterward. "They compare favorably with any team in town. Maybe they don't shoot as well as Brown or Murphy and maybe they don't have the height of North Fulton. But overall, I'd rank them right at the top. It will take a good team to beat them."

Cherokee pulled away early in the first quarter and after intermission it was no contest. Dykes was never able to crack Chero-

kee's 1-3-1 zone and was forced to take most of its shots from far back.

Cherokee played fast and deliberate type games and made both work. When it didn't beat the Colts down court, it set up plays beautifully and brought men into the open. Dykes had to foul to stop Indian drives and the Indians connected on 26 of 33 from the free throw line.

Brown did in Campbell by hitting 40.6 per cent from the field and by withstanding a pressure-packed final period. Campbell, which trailed most of the way but always stayed in striking distance, put the heat on with a full-court press. But it never fazed the Rebs. They did not make a single poor pass.

HIGHLIGHT of the game was the board work of Campbell's Rufus Adair. He took 17 rebounds. He also hit 10 of 17 shots from

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Scalped Foes Cry 'Cherokee' As Indians Spill Over Dykes

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the field and finished with 23 points.

Campbell led twice, once in the second period, 22-21, and once in the third quarter, 35-34. The rest of the way it was mostly Brown, with Charles Kenney and Charles Casey hitting consistently from the corners.

Turning point came with 2:46 left. Ahead, 52-50, the Rebels slowed the game down and Campbell had to go after them. When they did, they fouled. The Rebs responded with six charity shots. Billy Kinard hit four of five and Dan Ross two for two.

"I'm picking Brown to go all the way now," Campbell Coach Bill Bennett said afterward. "I've seen all these teams and Brown can out-shoot the field."

TO SAY Jenkins Coach Joe Sparks was disappointed in his team's performance would be a masterpiece of understatement.

"It was the worst game we have ever played," he said. "It's enough to make a man sick. It's disgusting. We've played teams three times better than Valdosta."

"This game shouldn't have been close." It wasn't. Coach Bill Kittrell's Valdosta Wildcats went into a full court press from the outset and intercepted more passes than the school's alert football team did last year in win-



Staff Photo—Billy Down

JENKINS' WOODY PENTECOST CAUGHT IN TRAIL Valdosta's Tommy Johnson (12), Leo Wells Close In

ning the State AAA championship.

Of his team's loss to LaGrange, Benedictine Coach John McGinty said, "We let them shoot, shoot, shoot, and they kept hitting, hitting, hitting."

LaGrange was true from far out, Benedictine was not. LaGrange also dominated under the backboards, taking 39 rebounds,

13 of which belonged to Mahaffey.

In Thursday's quarterfinals Valdosta was matched against Cherokee (4:30), North Fulton against Jordan (6), Murphy against Columbus (7:30), and Brown against LaGrange (9).

Semifinals are scheduled day, finals Saturday.

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BROWN	16	13	17	20—66
CAMPBELL	9	18	16	16—59
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LaGRANGE (64)—Wayne Gillam 14, Jimmy Foster 10, Randy Mahaffey 26, Glenn Lord 8, Hawley Smith 6, Charles Gaylord, Johnny Pike, Mike Hinson, Allen Lancaster.				
BENEDICTINE (51)—Luke Sims 5, Richard Lutz 18, Tommy Brennan 12, Richard Mill 4, Jay Rabhan 4, Steve Saunders 2, Waldo Spence 4, Charles Gleason 2.				
CHEROKEE	10	11	12	23—56
DYKES	5	6	9	16—36
CHEROKEE (56)—Butch Cronan 4, Donald Haley 8, Lamar Moody 15, N. J. Tippens 13, Robert Jordan 12, Kenneth Beavers 2, Charles Wynn 2, Jimmy Turner, Ronnie Henson, Phillip Calhoun, Billy Boston.				
DYKES (36)—Louis Bunte 5, Chip Allen 10, Rick Goodwin 2, Robert Rosenkoetter 3, Richard Rosenkoetter 7, Tim Murray 4, Perry Sorrels 3, Floyd Statham, Clifton Hawley, Mike Pittard.				

Cherokee Blisters Valdostans, 51-44

Moody, Jordan Tippens Star

By CHARLIE ROBERTS

Robert Jordan, N. J. Tippens and Lamar Moody were the pelters as the Cherokee Indians from Canton skinned the Valdosta Wildcats, 51-44, and became the first team to reach the semifinals of the GHSA's Constitution-sponsored State Class AAA basketball tournament Thursday afternoon.

In the second afternoon game, North Fulton whipped Jordan by the identical score as in the opener, 51-44.

The Warriors, who 18 hours earlier had hobbled the Dykes Colts, 56-36, remained on the war path long enough to outclaw the determined Wildcats after a fierce and tight game-long struggle at Alexander Coliseum.

Guards Jordan and Tippens, both six footers, fired 14 points each, mostly from outside, as Coach Harold Scott's Warriors hit 50 percent of their field shots.

And Moody, a 6-1 senior, who along with 6-2 soph Butch Cronan made it difficult for shorter Valdosta to get its share of rebounds, was right behind with 12 counters.

Bill Kittrell, whose 1957 Hephzibah team had a 27-game winning

streak severed by Scott's Nahunta powerhouse in the state Class B tournament, had the horses to run and shoot with the Warriors—but he found no answer to the Can-tonites' superior weight under the boards.

Leo Wells, Rick Thomas and

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Staff Photos—Bill Wilson

WISENBAKER WAGE WAR AGAINST CHEROKEE

Wisenbaker Grapples with Cherokee's Lamar Moody

Cherokee Jumps Valdosta In Quarterfinals, 51-44

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Alvie Steele pumped in 16, 10 and 9 counters and stayed within 13-13, 26-23 and 36-32 hailing distance of the Indians at the quarter poles.

But the Canton "iron man" five that also included 6-1, Donald Haley, spurted from a 32-32 knot to a 40-34 edge early in the fourth quarter and saddled Kittrell's hustling quintet with its 11th setback in 31 trips to court.

Cherokee, regarded by Kittrell as a definite darkhorse threat to win the 1962 championship, won for the 22nd time in 28 games—and it was an impressive win.

LaGrange and Brown of Atlanta had barged into the quarter-finals with 64-51 and 66-59 over Benedictine and Smyrna Campbell Wednesday night. Big Donnie Mahaffey led the Grangers with 26 points and Brown prevailed despite 23 points and 17 rebounds by Campbell's 6-5 Rufus Adair.

Columbus was to meet Murphy at 7:30, and Brown was to take on LaGrange at 9 in Thursday quarterfinal games that followed the North Fulton-Jordan wrangle.

Close Cat Skinning

Thomas and Wells connected for six and five points for Valdosta and Haley plunked in five and Jordan four for Cherokee in a 13-13 stalemate in the lidlifter.

Jordan popped in three fielders, Tippens two and Moody three point sin the second period as the Warriors reached the halfway point a 26-23 nose ahead despite a pair of two pointers by Wells.

Valdosta couldn't find the net and Tippens and Moody were good for four tallies each as the Cherokees gained a 10-9 edge in the third go-round. Nine of the Warriors' 15 counters in the last stanza were foul shots as they played it coy and Valdosta had to foul in an effort to get the ball. Tippens plunked in six points, four from the free-throw line.

Cherokee 13 13 10 15—51
Valdosta 13 10 9 12—44
CHEROKEE (51)—Robert Jordan 14, N. J. Tippens 14, Lamar Moody 12, Butch Cronan 4, Donald Haley 7.
VALDOSTA (44)—Alvie Steele 9, Rick Thomas 10, Leo Wells 16, Stan Reaves, Tommy Johnson 4, Bill Wisenbaker 5, Mike Watson.

Adair Haunts Rebs

Adair was a thorn in Brown flesh throughout as the Rebels led by a nose or two at every quarter stop, 16-9, 29-27 and 46-43. It was anybody's guess and anybody's game down to the end.

The 6-5 Smyrna senior, playing his third straight state meet, hit 10 of 14 field shots and his 17 rebounds represented more than half Campbell's total of 33. His were the clutch plays although Hugh Lee Mann, Jerry Brown and Randy Ramey chipped in 12,

10 and 8 points as the Panthers hit 44 per cent from the field.

But every Johnny Reb was clicking and it took that kind of job to win. The two Charleses—Kenney and Casey—looped in 17 and 15 counters as the O'Malleys were 43 per cent true overall. Kim King and Bill Kinard made 11 and 9-point contributions, and unsung Daniel Ross saved the day after long Dennis Gibson fouled out. He hit every shot he made—four of them.

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Tall Man Too Much

Mahaffey, the Tall Man of LaGrange, was too much for Benedictine, hitting 9 of 17 field shots and 8 of 14 charity chunks for his 26 points and picking off exactly one-third of the Grangers' 39 rebounds.

With Mahaffey getting 14, 10 and eight-point aid from Wayne Gillam, Jimmy Foster and Glenn Lord, the coastal parochial school was doomed to the same fate as all other 2-AAA teams for the last 3 years—defeat.

Richard Lutz and Tommy Bren-

nan connected for 18 and 12 points as region scoring champ Ricky Mill saw limited action because of a leg ailment.

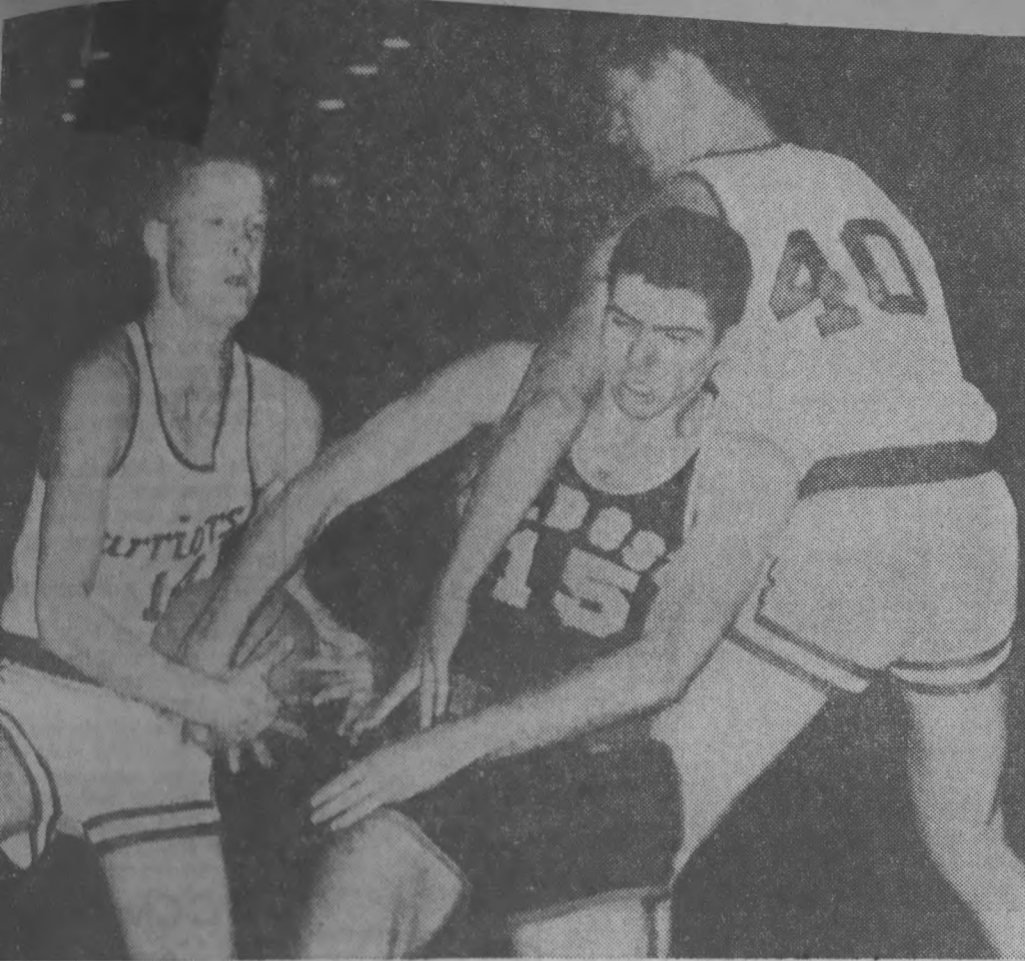
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Cooled-Off Colts

The Coliseum baskets seemed to have covers on them while the Indians were putting halters on the Colts. Cherokee led all period rests, by the low counts of 11-5, 21-11 and 33-20. The "Cinderella Kids" had lost their fairy godmother.

Cherokee's Robert Jordan, Lamar Moody, N. J. Tippens and Donald Haley found mesh for 12, 6, 13 and eight points. And the game produced an oddity. The Rosenkoetter twins, Richard and Robert, proved alike in another respect. Both fouled out midway the fourth quarter.

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Cherokee Whips Valdosta, 51-44

Compiled from Local and Wire Reports

Cherokee County's Indians, hitting with deadly accuracy from the floor and free throw line, turned back Valdosta's Wildcats, 51-44 in the quarter-finals of the state Class AAA boys basketball tournament at Atlanta Thursday.

In other games Columbus beat Murphy (Atlanta), 50-29; LaGrange rallied to trim Brown (Atlanta), 46-39, and North Fulton clipped Jordan, 51-44.

Semi-finals in the tourney are set tonight at Georgia Tech's Alexander Memorial Coliseum with Columbus meeting North Fulton at 7:30 p.m. and Cherokee going against LaGrange at 9 p.m.

While the small, but scrappy Wildcats battled hard all the way, they were no match for the Indians from Canton. Cherokee hit at a 50 per cent clip from the floor and threw up a defense which troubled coach Bill Kittrell's Valdosta crew all the way.

On Wednesday the VHS quintet pulled off a major surprise with a triumph over Jenkins' Warriors, the number one delegate from Region 2-AAA. But the string ran out for them against Cherokee.

After it was over Kittrell and Cherokee coach Harold Scott had praise for each other's team.

Said Scott, "We were lucky to get out alive. Valdosta was much tougher than we anticipated. What it lacked in natural ability it made up for in fight."

Commented Kittrell, "Cherokee is not spectacular, but steady. It could go all the way."

The lead changed hands six times before Cherokee went ahead to stay with 37 seconds left in the third quarter.

Cherokee had much the best of it on the backboards and at the foul line. It hit 11 of 13 free throws while the Wildcats made only 15 of 28.

The trio of Robert Jordan, 14;

N. J. Tippens, 14, and Lamar Moody, 12, paced the Indians' attack. Don Haley chipped in with seven points and was a defensive stickout.

Leo Wells, 16; Rick Thomas, 10, and Alvie Steele, 9, were offense leaders for 'Dosta.

Brown limited LaGrange's 6-foot-5 ace, Randy Mahaffey, to one field goal, but the bespectacled big boy coolly sank 11 free throws to lead the Granger comeback. LaGrange took the lead 41-39 on a layup by Hawley Smith in the last two minutes, then calmly padded it to the final seven-point margin while the distressed Rebels fired wildly and failed to connect.

Kenny's 20 points led all scorers in the quarter-finals, and backcourt sharpe Eddie Dunn amassed 19 as North Fulton eliminated Jordan. Other top pointmakers included Leo Wells of Valdosta with 16, Jerry Smith of Columbus with 15, Bobby Jordan and N. J. Tippens of Cherokee County with 14 each and Mahaffey's 13 for LaGrange.

Swift Columbus, using a shuttle system of substitutes throughout,

sped to the easiest victory of the quarter-finals. The Region 1 team harried Murphy into repeated floor mistakes and forced them to hurry their shots. The Atlanta team made only three field goals in the first half and trailed by 13 points at intermission. The fourth quarter was a 17-8 rout as Jerry Smith, Jack Romeo and Barry Mitchell bombed the baskets for the Blue Imps.

North Fulton used a 16-7 fourth quarter advantage to dispose of Jordan after the Red Jackets had spurred to a 37-35 lead with eight minutes to go. Dunn got 17 of his 19 points in the second half and led the Bulldog stretch run. Mike Williams had 11 for Jordan, and Lawton Garito and Lamar Henderson got 10 apiece.

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—AP Wirephoto

Valdosta's Rick Thomas (15) Surrounded By Indians Outnumbered Two-To-One In 'Battle' For Basketball

AAA SIDELIGHTS

Valdosta Finds Song's Familiar

By TOM STODDARD

The whole thing had a familiar, hollow ring for Valdosta coach Bill Kittrell.

His Wildcats, falling behind Cherokee by a four-point margin at the end of the third quarter, had been forced out of a loose defense in the final quarter, and finally lost to the Warriors, 51-44.

"I told the boys," said Kittrell afterward, "that if we got behind, they'd better be ready to come out and foul to get the ball. The same thing happened before."

It had. In 1957, Kittrell took his Hephzibah team into the Class B tournament at Macon, with a 27-game win streak, and wound up in the semifinals against Nahunta, then coached by Harold Scott, now at Cherokee.

Nahunta and then sophomore Layton Johns got a slight lead, and then slowed it down. Nahunta won.

"I'd have done the same thing if we'd have been ahead," Kittrell admitted.

"I'm not disappointed," he continued. "I think the boys are a little let down, but we finished about where we should have."

"We couldn't hit our free throws (six were missed, four in the second half) and a little team can't win without them."

Scott, whose Warriors are the only 4-AAA team left in the tournament, was very pleased to be in the semifinals of the tournament, sponsored by The Constitution and the GHSA.

"We couldn't hit the broad side of a barn," he said. "And we were lucky to win."

Scott was probably thinking mostly about the second half,

when his Warriors put in only 6 of 17 shots from the floor, and of the free throw mark, which was just 15 of 27 for the afternoon.

"Valdosta has a real good club," Scott continued, "a lot better than we thought. They don't impress you much just watching them, but they'll scrap you, and all of them can shoot."

BRIEFLY NOTED—Murphy's Bennie Davis and Browns' Joe O'Malley watched the first two games together. O'Malley denied the tournament favorite's role: "I thought Marist was the favorite," he said. . . . Auburn sport publicist Norm Carlton attended, taking notes on prospects for Joel Eaves. . . . Georgia Tech's team was still going through practice routines when early arrivals entered the Coliseum. . . . Dickie Butler, past GHSA president, now a vice president, was one of the day-long devotees, and Roy White, for 40 years a prep writer and tournament follower, was back out after recovering from an eye operation. . . . Westminster's Emmett Wright got in early and watched proceedings, maybe looking ahead to next year when his Wildcats will be shooting for a tournament berth in AAA. . . . Coaches all through the meet seemed to agree that officiating had been excellent in first-round games.

Coach Tells Wildcats: 'Come Down From Orbit'

Coach Wright Bazemore has a message for his Valdosta football Wildcats: "Come on back down out of orbit."

The 'Cats open four weeks of spring practice today and starting right now Bazemore figures it's time for them to get their feet back on the ground.

Since the Wildcats marched to their second straight Class AAA crown and extended their unbeaten string to 24 games last fall, they have been showered with praise and honors.



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"Our 1961 honors, titles and press clippings aren't going to do us a bit of good next September. It's going to be a new deal.

"We have the potential for another good team. But remember, I said the potential. It's going to be up to the boys to play up to their capabilities and reach their potential.

"Our squad is going to be top-heavy with seniors. This should be good, but it may or may not work out to our advantage. If our seniors try to coast along on their past reputations we are going to be in trouble.

"I've been in similar circumstances before. I had teams that won state championship in 1951-52-53. I had a senior crew in 1954 and it looked like we would have another great year. But we didn't. We lost two games and didn't even win a region title.

"Same thing happened another time. We were state champs in 1956-57 and it figured that 1958, when we had a lot of seniors, would be another big year. Well, we didn't make it to the state playoffs. We lost out in the regional race.

Some Gaps Must Be Filled

"I'm not saying the boys let down in 1954 and in 1958. We had a good bunch of boys those years just like we will have next fall. But we had key players hurt for crucial games and, well, we just got licked by some tough foes.

"What I'm driving at is that nothing is automatic in football. Just because things look good on paper, it doesn't mean they are going to work out that way on the playing field.

"We've got a lot of experienced players coming back. At the same time we are going to have to do without some boys who did tremendous jobs for us in '61.

"We've got some gaps that must be filled. And since the 1962 team is top-heavy with seniors we've got to spend more time working with our younger players and try to start getting some of them ready for '63.

"So all the boys who figure on just coasting along might well know right now. We simply haven't got time to mess around with them. We are going to follow a rule we've always had. The boys who do the job in practice are the ones who are going to play, be they seniors or freshmen."

Sure To Be Rated The Favorite

The 'Cats won'em all in 1960 and played under the pressure of being the favorite all the way in 1961. But they came through in fine style last year.

In 1962 they are sure to be rated the pre-season title favorite in 1-AAA and they are sure to be mentioned as the team most likely to win the state crown.

With their 24-game winning streak and back-to-back title efforts, the pressure is going to be even greater next time out. Can the Wildcats stand the gaff? Bazemore figures to start finding out during the spring drill session.

Here's something the boys might keep in mind. A coach whose team opposed Valdosta in both 1960 and 1961 had this to say:

"Lots of folks say the 1961 Valdosta team was better than that sophomore crew in 1960. But I'm not so sure. The '61 team had more poise and finesse, but to my way of thinking it didn't show the fire and spirit of those young boys in '60. Both were great teams, but I liked the enthusiasm those sophomores had in '60. Valdosta's going to have a senior team in 1962. Maybe it will be better, and maybe it won't. I know I've had my troubles with senior teams. They can be disappointing."

Frankly, I don't think the '62 'Cats are going to be disappointing. But they will be playing a tough schedule under pressure. They are going to need all the spirit and enthusiasm they can muster.

'Cats Open Spring Football Practice

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta's football Wildcats launched four weeks of spring football practice today with coach Wright Bazemore vowing he has problems despite the presence of 16 returning regulars and a fairly large number of reserves off last year's state Class AAA championship crew.

"We've got a lot of experienced boys still in the fold," Bazemore said, "but what troubles me are the ones who are missing. We've got some big gaps to try to fill."

The Wildcats are losing a total of 10 players off the 1961 team which won 12 straight during a march to the 'Cats second straight "AAA" crown. Seven of the missing were either offensive or defensive regulars last fall and the other three were front-line reserves.

The regulars who aren't returning include quarterback Bruce Bennett, interior linebacker Butch Luke, outside linebacker Jerry Varnado, offensive guards Gary Minchew and Frank Wetherington, offensive tackle Skipper Pre-

witt and defensive end Rusty Griffin. Others who won't be back for the '62 campaign are end Don DeLoach, tackle Larry Dennis and guard David Tindall.

The spring roster includes 57 players who will be in the ninth grade or above next September. A turnout of some 25 eighth graders, who will be high school freshmen in the fall, is expected. A roster of the rising freshmen hasn't been compiled yet.

"We want to continue the two-team system we have used for the past two seasons," Bazemore said. "That means we've got to replace seven regulars. We are going to have a lot of seniors next season — 24 to be exact. That means we've got to spend extra time working with the younger boys with an eye toward 1963.

"While we aren't losing too many players, we are losing a lot of talent. Just run over the list — Bennett, Luke, Varnado, Minchew, Wetherington, Griffin and Prewitte — all did tremendous jobs for us.

"Bennett has been our attack

leader for three seasons. His absence is going to force us to make a major change in our offensive plans.

"We are losing three regulars off our offensive line. We've got major problems there.

"We have been blessed with good depth for two seasons. We simply may not have the same kind of depth next season. It's going to depend on our inexperienced players. A lot of them are going to have to come through."

The spring schedule calls for intra-squad games to be played at the end of the second and third weeks of practice. The 'Cats will meet the "Has-Beens" in an annual contest that will come at the close of the off-season session.

Helping Bazemore put the Wildcats through their spring paces will be assistant coaches Bill Kittrell, Bill Davis, Bill Bennett and J. B. Roland.

While winning state crowns back-to-back in 1960-61, the 'Cats built up a 24-game victory streak. They've already been rated the 1962 title favorite in Region 1-AAA and have been pegged as the team to beat in the scramble for the state crown.

"The pressure is really going to be on us next fall," Bazemore said. "We are going to have to work mighty, mighty hard with everyone striving to improve."

Spring rosters with weights and classes players will enter in September are as follows:

ENDS — Danny Hendley (190, sr.), Wally Colson (195, sr.), Bill Holtzclaw (160, sr.), Dick Bender (160, sr.), Bruce Bule (145, jr.), Ted Minnick (150, jr.), Frank Haddock (165, sr.), Terry Penn (155, sr.), Robert Goff (145, soph.), Wilbur Johnson (165, jr.), Billy Bray (150, soph.).

TACKLES — Billy Schroer (205, sr.), Charles Oliver (180, sr.), Foy Norwood (210, jr.), Randy Hunter (215, sr.), Bill Henry (170, soph.), Henry Harnage (225, sr.), Jimmy DeCesare (180, sr.), Andy Larson (145, jr.), Jay Perryman (185, jr.), Mike Luke (180, jr.), Alfred Spencer (165, soph.), Mike Ireland (160, jr.).

GUARDS — Bill Myddleton (205, sr.), Christy Patterson (155, sr.), Bill Holt (175, sr.), Bo Hall (165, sr.), Jack Martin (160, soph.), Don Reames (135, jr.), Frank Haddock (145, sr.), Bill Joseph (155, soph.), Tommy Ellis (130, jr.), Ken Webb (145, soph.), Alex Coursart (150, soph.), Justin Holland (145, jr.), Joe Crane (140, soph.).

CENTERS — Jimmy Robinson (215, sr.), Eugene Gunter (180, jr.), Tommy Doves (155, soph.).

QUARTERBACKS — Rick Thomas (155, sr.), Hank Lee (160, jr.), Terry Godwin (145, soph.), Carroll Sherwood (145, soph.), Haywood Moore (145, soph.).

HALFBACKS — Giles Smith (160, sr.), Stan Reaves (165, sr.), Kenny Ruffer (165, sr.), Clyo Blanton (160, jr.), Jimmy Rigsby (140, soph.), Greg Jordan (150, soph.), Ronnie Stevens (150, soph.), Robert McLeod (140, soph.), David Luke (125, sr.).

FULLBACKS — Walter Zant (145, sr.), Sirosis Barker (185, sr.), Albert McLeod (165, soph.), Bruce Stockman (155, soph.) (List of rising freshmen will be announced later.)



Washing Car Is Weekly Task For New VHS Beauty Queen

Diane Cares For Her Car Herself Rather Than Let Someone Else

Beauty Queen Busy Girl

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Taking care of her car is one of the many pastimes of the newly crowned Miss Valdosta High.

Pretty Diane Quattlebaum was named to the honor last week during the annual beauty pageant sponsored by the junior class.

The 16-year-old junior can be found nearly every Saturday afternoon either washing or waxing her Karmann Ghia — that's a car.

She prefers to care for the aqua sports model of the Volkswagen because then she knows the job is done right.

Many times a friend will come over and help with the wash job.

Diane is relatively new to Valdosta.

She and her family, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Quattlebaum and her brother, moved here from Atlanta summer before last.

"I feel like this really is my home. Valdosta has such friendly people and they made me welcome here the first day I arrived," Diane says.

But the students claim Diane is the one that is friendly.

They proved this by voting her friendliest in her class during the "Who's Who" elections last year.

In addition to this honor she has also been named prettiest, most versatile and she and Wally Colson together were named the cutest couple in the class.

Diane is a member of the Beta Club, the French club, the Gamma Tri-Hi-Y and plays first string guard on the Kittens basketball team.

She is also a cheerleader.

"Between cheerleading and playing basketball, I haven't had much time for anything else this year," she said.

But Valentine's Day found her baking a cake for her number one boy friend.

She is taking home ec this year so the beauty queen is learning the basic essentials about home making. Diane complains she hasn't time for anything except alterations on her clothes.

"I would love to sit down and sew but I just haven't the

time," she explained.

Diane is not one to go without her sleep. Perhaps this is one reason she is always so fresh and pretty.

She says she goes to bed at a certain hour even if she doesn't have all her homework.

Diane gets the unfinished work during free time at school.

This summer the Quattlebaums will live in their home at Twin Lakes.

Then the popular "Miss" will do nothing but swim and ski all day long.

After graduation next year, Diane is thinking about attending Sophie Newcomb College at New Orleans, La.

Not only is it an outstanding girls' school but is right next to Tulane University, she says.



Top 10 Girls in Recent Miss VHS Beauty Contest

Top ten finalists: left to right back row, Nancy Garvin, first runner-up; Diane Quattlebaum, Miss VHS 1962; Linda Doig, second runner-up; and Ellen Taylor; second row, Sharon Bishop, Barbara Talley, Jeannie Hoyle, and Sherry Richards; third row, Marianne Stump and Betty Gual.

For Short Term Needs

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Though teen-agers today are more intelligent about saving than any previous generation of young people, most of their fund-gathering is to satisfy a short-term goal...

That's the latest word from high school teachers in the Valdosta area who get first hand information on the saving habits of their students in classroom discussions. Here is their verdict:

"I've been surprised to find that many of my students do save even though they do not have as much money left over as they would like to have," reports one LOHI teacher.

Saving is on a short-term basis — sometimes for as brief a period as a week. For example, students may save money for a week to attend a ball game.

National influence is not conducive to thrift from the teen point of view. The President and business leaders encourage us to buy. Thrift for young people today is concerned more with wise spending rather than with wise investment. Students want to talk more about making good buys rather than learn about saving programs.

According to another teacher, students are more money conscious today than ever before, whether they save more or not. Graduation expenses, rings, photos and more frequent and more expensive dates are placing a drain on the teen pocketbook and making it harder to save.

Not too many teachers have found very many teen-agers saving for college. Most of the young people, they say, are saving primarily on a short-term basis for some material luxury.

Saving is probably more prevalent among students who hold part-time jobs than among students whose primary source of money is an allowance given to them by their parents.

In a survey taken at the area schools, it was found that most of the students interviewed had some sort of savings account, bonds or stock. But they do not save on a regular basis.

Perhaps if a relative sends them a monetary gift, they will invest it in some way. But they do not put money away systematically.

And how do the students feel about their saving ability?

They feel they are wise in their spending but are not good savers.

Certainly today there are more social activities on which teens may spend their money. But by the same token, there are more ways open for them to earn money and allowances are much larger than Mother and Dad ever got.

The family's economic circumstances greatly influence the young person's saving habits. If the family is well fixed financially, the youth is fully confident that his educational needs and material desires will be taken care of. Thus, why should he learn to save?

But if a student works because of necessity and knows that his family can not provide him with college education or many of life's luxuries, he is naturally more inclined to want to save and to help himself.

Boys are frequently saving for cars. Girls want clothes and are better at saving to finance college training, teachers agree.

All of the instructors stress saving in the classroom, but each approaches the topic from a slightly different angle.

Some tell students that the habits they form while they are young are the ones that linger. It's not the amount you save but the fact that you are putting something aside systematically that matters, they argue.

Wise use of money gets a lot of emphasis in the classroom but so does budgeting.



That First Trick With Yo-Yo Is Hardest
Tim Tart Says There Are Over 3,000 Tricks One Can Learn

YO-YOING FAD ON TOP HERE

By MARY DICKEY

The yo-yo has young folks in Valdosta on a string.

The tiny yo-yo has whipped into huge popularity with generation after generation.

And this time the students at Valdosta High School are cutting in on the scene.

Football players, members of the band, and student council members alike have taken up the fad that is sweeping the country right now.

The students at Valdosta Junior High have been yo-yoing at a fast pace since Thanksgiving but VHS didn't hit stride with the toy until a week or so ago.

School officials have ruled out the yo-yo in the classrooms and in the halls. And what could be more distracting to an instructor going over a geometric problem or a teacher lecturing on Macbeth than seeing her class yo-yoing?

Many times the teen-agers are not even conscious they are toying with the instruments.

They will sit in their desks and wind up the yo-yo, test the string, and even change strings during the course of the class session.

Then the teacher will have to claim the instrument.

And the students are reluctant to give up their possessions. Some of the teachers promise to give them back to the owners after school if the offender gives his word not to bring it to class any more.

But not all instructors are so lenient.

This does nothing but induce the student to go out and buy another yo-yo because once he gets the yo-yo bug, he is hooked

for several weeks at least.

This fever usually reaches its peak the middle of March and then the students begin to think about other things.

People laugh and say the yo-yo is a shoe string business but they are about a million dollars off.

According to Charlie Corrano, the world yo-yo champion who was in Atlanta last week staging exhibitions and selecting a winner to compete in the national yo-yo contest, there are over 3,000 tricks one can do with the simple instrument.

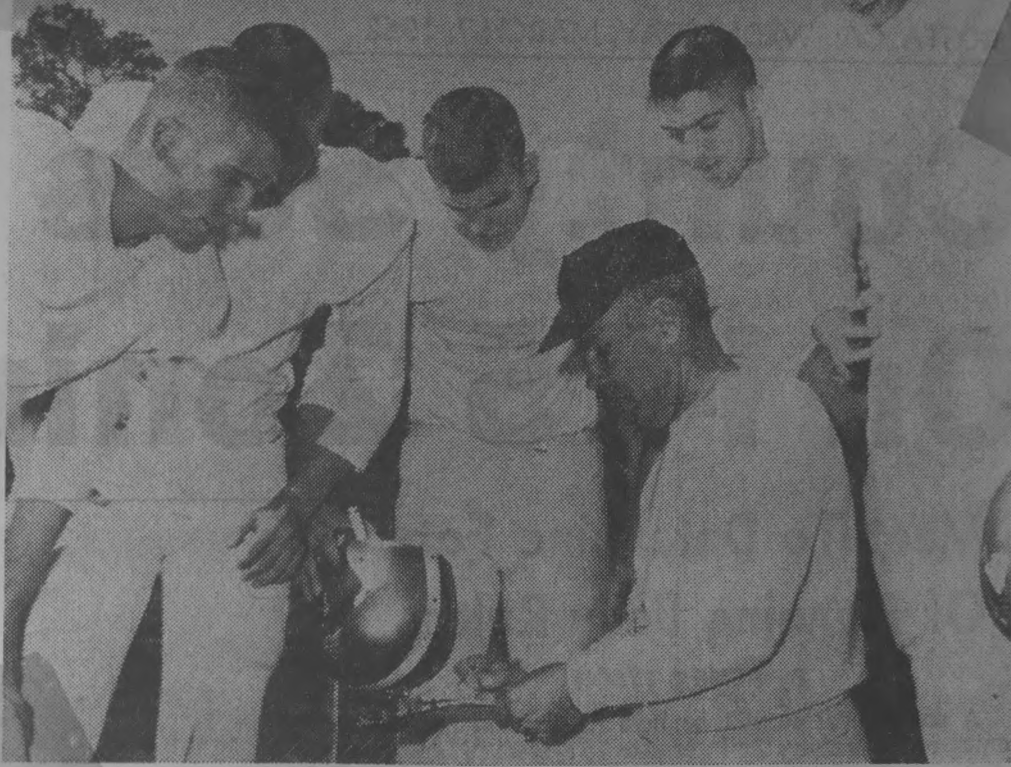
Even in a lifetime of practice he says, they could not all be mastered.

But the teen-agers say learning the first trick is the hardest. That's the one where the beginner learns to make the yo-yo come back up after it has gone down.

Teachers are not only the ones who seem to be having trouble with the sport.

Parents all over town are demanding their sons and daughters wait until supper is over to start yo-yoing.

And the girls are almost as wild over the little instruments as their boy friends.



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Coach Wright Bazemore Huddles With QB Candidates

Terry Godwin, Carroll Sherwood, Haywood Moore, Rick Thomas, Hank Lee

Replacing Bennett 'Cats Top Problem

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

One of the major tasks facing coach Wright Bazemore during the Valdosta Wildcats' current spring football practice session is to start making plans for the replacement of All-America quarterback Bruce Bennett.

Replacing Bennett next fall will involve a lot more than just finding someone to handle the offensive quarterback assignment. It will force a major change in the 'Cats' attack system.

For three years Bennett has been the Wildcats' ground attack leader. Last season, while the 'Cats were winning 12 straight in a march to their second straight state Class AAA crown, Bennett lead the way both along the ground and through the air.

He gained 983 yards rushing on 158 tries for a 6.2 average and hit on 54 of 105 passes for 1,099 yards. Bennett scored 23 touchdowns and a dozen of his "pitches" went for tallies. He was 1-AAA's top rusher and passer and set a new total offense mark for the league. For three years in a row, Bennett's teammates voted him the Wildcats' Most Valuable Player.

"For three seasons we built our offense around Bennett," Bazemore said. "Well, he won't be back next fall and we've got to make some changes.

"A boy who combines the running and passing ability that Bruce has doesn't come along often. We simply don't have a quarterback candidate who can both run and throw like he did.

"Beside that it wouldn't be fair to a boy to put him in at quarterback and say you and you alone are going to have to replace Bennett.

"What we are counting on is improvement from quite a few backs. The job of taking up the slack must be shared by a lot of boys."

The 'Cats opened their four-week long spring session Monday with Bazemore rating Rick Thomas, a 155-pound rising senior, as the top candidate for the offensive quarterback post.

Others in the picture are Hank Lee, a 160 pounder who will be a junior next fall, and Terry Godwin, Carroll Sherwood and Haywood Moore, a trio of 145-pound rising sophomores.

Last season Thomas was a defensive regular and did a stand-out job as one of the 'Cats' twin-

after that was able to see only limited action with the "go-team". The bad shoulder made it very difficult for Thomas to pass with accuracy.

Thomas has been plagued by the injury jinx through much of his career. A broken arm forced him to sit out an entire season when he was a freshman.

"If the injury jinx will just stay away from him, we have confidence that Rick can do a good job next fall as an offensive quarterback," Bazemore said.

"He's not as large as Bennett and he's not as strong a runner. But potentially Rick's a better passer and ball handler than Bruce. Rick has good speed and the defense must respect him as a runner.

"Our plans are to assign Hank Lee to one of the safetyman posts on our defensive unit and let

Rick concentrate on offense.

"Rick had a good spring practice in 1961 and he was doing very well last season on offense until he hurt his shoulder. He did a fine job for us all the way on defense.

"Since Rick is the only quarterback candidate with front-line experience, we are going to work (halfback) Giles Smith at quarterback some this spring.

"In case Rick gets hurt, and we certainly hope that won't happen, we want Smith to be ready for emergency duty at quarterback.

"As for our running attack, we've got to switch some of the emphasis off quarterback to our halfbacks and fullbacks.

"As I said, we are counting on a lot of boys combining their efforts to take up the slack left by Bruce's departure."

'Cats Due Congratulations

While coach Bill Kittrell's Wildcats didn't ring the championship bell at either Columbus or Atlanta, certainly they gave stand-out performances in both tournaments.

In fact I would say Kittrell did a standout coaching job this year and his 'Cats are to be congratulated for their fine performance all the way.

They finished regular season play with a 17-8 record and were 3-3 in tourney play for an overall mark of 20-11. And folks that's a sparkling record for a team without a regular over six feet tall.

Also keep in mind that in a game to decide fourth place in the 1-AAA tourney, the 'Cats lost by only two points to Columbus, the team that now rules as state champion.

In the state test at Atlanta Valdosta pulled off one of the tournament's major surprises by licking 2-AAA number one delegate Jenkins of Savannah in the opening round. The 'Cats went down battling to Cherokee County (Canton) in the round of eight.

Kittrell Faces 'Rebuilding' Job

"I said it after the region tournament and I'm going to say it again after the state tournament," Kittrell said. "We didn't win a championship, but I'm still mighty proud of the boys. They played with determination all the way and they gave it everything they had."

Seeing most of the front line action in the tournament games were Tommy Johnson, Alvie Steele, Bill Wisenbaker, Leo Wells, Rick Thomas and Stan Reaves.

Four of them — Johnson, Steele, Wisenbaker and Wells — are seniors and won't be returning for the 1962-63 campaign.

That means Kittrell faces a major rebuilding job next winter. But the start of a new hoop season is a long way off. Right now Kittrell and his boys have earned the right to relax with the satisfaction of a job well done.



Line Coach Bill Kittrell (R) Checks Stance Of Four VHS Guards

Jack Martin, Christy Patterson, Bill Holt, Bo Hall In 'Lineup'

QUESTION MARK TAG HUGH ON VHS GUARDS

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Despite the presence of a pair of veterans at the position, the Valdosta football Wildcats' guard corps has been given a question mark tag by coach Wright Bazemore.

The 'Cats colse out the first week of their month-long spring practice session today, and Bazemore admits the guards have been getting a lot of his and line coach Bill Kittrell's attention.

The big job is to come up with replacements for Gary Minchew and Frank Wetherington, a pair of sharp blockers who performed with distinction on the Wildcats' offensive unit last fall.

There are two veteran guards who will still be in the fold next fall. One is Bill Myddleton, a 205-pound rising senior, and the other is Bill Holt, a 175-pound rising senior. Myddleton was an All-Stater in 1961 and saw most of his action at middle guard on defense. Holt was a defensive regular, holding down one of the interior linebacker posts.

"Myddleton and Holt were two of the best linemen we had last season and we will be counting heavily on them next fall," Bazemore said. "They will be assigned to the defensive unit, but they might also have to see a lot of action on offense. Actually, Myddleton is an experienced two-way performer so it won't be anything new for him.

"But after you get past Myddleton and Holt, both size and experience at guard is lacking. We do have some experienced guards with potential. A lot is going to depend on them."

Beside the two vets, the guard candidates include the following: Christy Patterson (155), William (Bo) Hall (165), Jack Mar-

tin (160), Don Reames (135), Frank Haddock (145), Bill Joseph (155), Tommy Ellis (130), Ken Webb (145), Alex Coursart (150), Justin Holland (145) and Joe Crane (140).

Bazemore rates Patterson and Hall, a pair of rising seniors, and Martin, who will be a sophomore in September, among the guards who are inexperienced but show potential.

"Patterson, Hall and Martin will all strike," Bazemore said. "But they still have a lot to learn and all are on the small size when you compare them with other guards in our league.

"And for that matter Holt at 175 pounds isn't too big and his offensive experience is limited.

"About all that can be said right now is that guard is a question mark position.

"In our offensive system we ask a lot from our guards. Minchew and Wetherington were both fine blockers. They are going to be hard to replace."

Bazemore said work of his charges during the week was "in some respects disappointing."

"Some of our more experienced

players haven't shown as well as expected so far," Bazemore said. "I warned all the boys before we started we couldn't afford to mess around with those who just wanted to coast along. The boys who show in practice they want to play are the ones who are going to get to play."

Halfback Kenny Ruffer became the first victim of the injury jinx. He reinjured a knee that troubled him through much of the 1961 campaign.

"Ruffer's out for the remainder of the spring session," Bazemore said. "We've got to face the possibility that an operation may be needed to get Kenny's knee back in shape for him to play next fall."

Ruffer had a brilliant sophomore season in 1960, setting a new Region 1-AAA punt return record. But he suffered a knee injury in the second game of the 1961 campaign, and saw only limited action after that.

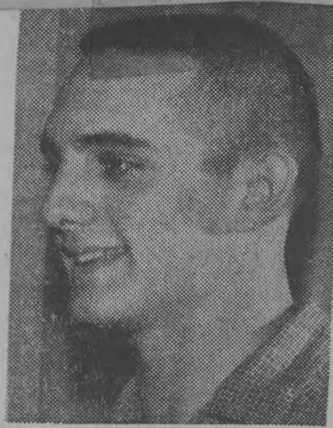
Plans call for the Wildcats to stage an intra-squad, game-type scrimmage when they reach the mid-way point of their off-season drill session next week.



SANDRA BABCOCK
Co-Winner



ANGELA WALL
Girls' First



BILL WISENBAKER
Another Elks Honor

ELKS' LODGE CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Two girls, who deadlocked for a first place tie, and a recent Elks leadership contest winner have been selected as winners in the Valdosta Elks Lodge's Most Valuable Student Scholastic Contest, it was announced today.

Miss Angela Wall and Miss Sandra Babcock were judged the co-winners in the girls' division of the contest and William E. Wisenbaker Jr. took first place in the boys' contest.

All three students at Valdosta High School, will receive \$50

awards from the local Elks Lodge. The contest was conducted by the Youth Committee of Elks here. Bill West is chairman of the committee.

Wisenbaker, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wisenbaker of Lake Park, won the top award in the Elks recent leadership Contest.

Names of the three were announced at the Valdosta High chapel program today.

Other winners announced by the Elks Youth Committee in the Scholastic Contest include: boy's second, Alvie Steele III, son of

Mr. and Mrs. Al Steele; boys' third, Ted Rodgers, son of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Rodgers; girls' second, Miss Kay Powell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Powell; girls' third, Miss Suzanne Saunders, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Saunders.

The tie for first place between Miss Babcock and Miss Wall came after long deliberation by members of the Elks committee. In declaring the two VHS seniors winners the Lodge okayed a double first place prize.

Miss Wall is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wall and was recently selected as Star student at Valdosta High School. Her record as a student at VHS is considered outstanding by school officials and the Elks committee.

Miss Babcock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Babcock, has captured many honors while at VHS. She is a member of the Beta Club, Sports Club, Tennis team, Seventeen Club, has won a scholarship sweater, and has won first place in a recent soil conservation essay contest.

In the boys' division the two of the winners are from Valdosta High School, the third, Rodgers, is a senior at Lowndes County High School.

Young Wisenbaker, whose mother teaches at VHS, has attained an outstanding record in scholarship as well as sports at the local high school. He has been a regular forward on the Wildcat basketball team and has captured a long list of other honors while at VHS.

The three winners will now compete in the State Elks Scholastic contest and stand a chance of winning a \$600 award. Winners on the state level will compete for a \$1,000 national Elks scholarship.

VHS Netters Earn Victory At Cordele

SPECIAL TO TIMES

CORDELE — Valdosta High was the victor over Crisp County High in a girls tennis match here Friday.

The VHS team, coached by Mrs. Herman Johnson, posted a 6-1 victory in varsity competition and then won a junior varsity test by an identical margin.

Valdosta's netters had bowed to a Florida State University team on Thursday, but triumphed in their first start of the 1962 season against prep competition.

Complete results follow:

VARSITY

Singles — Barbara Knoll (V) beat June Dorough (C), 6-1, 6-0; Nancy Simon (V) beat Lynn Glascow (C), 6-3, 6-2, 6-4; Beverly Gunter (V) beat Bobbie Gleaton (C), 1-6, 6-3, 6-2; Maxine Wilson (V) beat Wyanne McGiney, 6-3, 6-2.

Doubles — Knoll-Simon (V) beat Marion and Mildred Culpepper (C), 6-3, 6-1; Dorough-Glasgow (C) beat Sandy LaMontagne-Wilson (V), 7-5; Judy Lawson-Jan Shelton (V) beat McGiney-Reese (C), 6-0.

JUNIOR VARSITY

Singles — Joy Smith (V) beat Jane Spence (C), 6-2; Susan LaMontagne (V) beat Elane Dixon (C), 8-6; Catherine Dennis (V) beat Charlotte Williams (C), 6-1; Linda Blaze (V) beat Jo Ann Hollie (C), 6-4.

Doubles — Smith-Betty Potts (V) beat Dixon-Spence, 6-2; Hollie-Williams (C) beat Patsy Jackson-Linda Myer (V), 8-6; Toni DiMascio - Betty Boyette (V) beat Jane Thompson-Sandra Smith (C), 6-3.

MACON CONVENTION

VHS Students Push For State DE Offices

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Two Valdosta High School juniors are leaving Sunday with high hopes of being elected to state offices at the annual Georgia State DECA Conference.

The meeting will be held in Macon and will run through Tuesday.

Warren Clayton is running for president while Joy Ratigan is campaigning for the position of secretary.

Winners of the elections will be installed at the banquet during the convention.

Other students will be attending the conference from VHS to compete in the different state contests.

Representing the local high school will be Arthur Baker, speech; Robert Cannon, ad layout; Marilyn Rykard, student of the year and essay; Larry Price and Judy McMullin, manuals; Bobby Young, math, and Elaine Alligood, reporter of the year.

Club members attending workshops are Charlene Wayne, James Wetherington, Nick Miller, Shirley McDonald, Billy Rowe, Sandra Bloodworth, Sharon Harp, Lynda Faye Hancock.

Gail Griffin, Joy Ratigan, Eva Ladrow, Gayle Chadwick, Warren Clayton, Kay Croft, Lillian McKinnon, Helen Young, and Pat Futch.

Winners of the contests and the new state president will attend the national conference in Chicago in April.



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Just Doing A Little Early Politiking

Warren Clayton and Joy Ratigan Prepare for State Campaign

VALDOSTAN IS STATE DE STUDENT OF YEAR

Compiled from Local and Wire Reports

An 18-year-old Valdosta High School senior who has been the school's Distributive Education student of the year two years in a row has been selected Georgia DE student of the year.

Marilyn Rykard was picked tops in the state at an annual DE awards dinner Monday night at Macon.

An all "A" student at VHS, Miss Rykard is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Rykard.

Members of the Valdosta DE club also walked away with a long list of other honors at the awards banquet.

Warren Clayton was selected as state president; Elaine Alligood was picked as reporter of the year; Arthur Baker, speech contest; and Joy Ratigan, state historian.

The state's new DE student of the year takes part in a number of activities at VHS and in the community. She is a member of the Beta Club, and glee club and holds an office with her Sunday school class at the Westend Presbyterian Church.

Miss Rykard says she had planned to enter the DE program since she heard about it in junior high school. Upon graduation this June she plans to enter the University of Florida.

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Tops in Georgia

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Campbell pupils also did well in individual contests. Louise Farmer was first in the essay division, Amelia Johnson first for her area of distribution manual, and Louise Farmer tied with Georgia Burtz of O'Keefe for top honors in business spelling.

Pupils at Macon's Hughs Vocation High School were elected to three state offices. Elaine Fears was named first vice president; Jerry Jenkins, second vice president in charge of entertainment; and Robert Corbin, second vice president.

James Byington of Hughes was first in sales demonstration judging, and Larry Coward second in ad planning and layout.

Other winners included Betty Sue Skinner of Wayne County, first in merchandise information manual; Robert Mitchell of Jordan, first in business math; Angela Fries of O'Keefe, first in job interviews; Jerry Byars of Russell, first in ad planning and layout; and the Odum High Club, first for the DE project of the year.

Clubs receiving superior rating included Campbell - Fairburn, Wayne County, Odum High, Moultrie, and Russell High. New clubs receiving charters were Willingham High of Macon, Albany High and Glennville High.

The Rich award for the outstanding DE student employed at its Atlanta store went to Diane Lawhorne of Campbell.

Clubs which received first and will enter national competition are Russell, best creative marketing activity; and Moultrie, best creating marketing research project.

Distributive Education Units Say Valdosta Student Tops

MACON, Ga., March 13 (AP)—Georgia's Distributive Education clubs have named 18-year-old Marilyn Rykard of Valdosta as their student of the year.

She received the top honor at the annual awards dinner Monday night. An all "A" scholar at Valdosta High, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Rykard and works as a secretary-sales person in a Valdosta concern.

OTHER VALDOSTANS winning honors were Elaine Alligood, reporter of the year; Arthur Baker, speech contest; Warren Clayton, named state president, and Joy Ratigan, state historian.

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Honor Roll At Valdosta High Told

Principal W. H. Bridges announced the following honor roll at Valdosta High School for the fourth six-week period:

Seniors — David Atkinson, Sandra Babcock, Bud Bridges, Lynn DiMascio, Sharon Harp, Bunky Henry, Jennifer Howse, Cheryl Mefts, Elaine Pitts, Kay Potts, Kay Powell, Marilyn Rykard, Suzanne Saunders, Sharon Smith, Donald Starling, Alvie Steele, Angela Wall, Mike Watson, Bill Wisenbaker, Helen Young, Tillie Yow, Sherry Richards.

Juniors — Ellen Adair, Judy Babcock, Charles Barker, Sybil Burdick, Bradley Courtney, Harry Davis, Steve Dasher, Beverly Gunter, Eulouise Hamill, Marilyn Harris, Linda Jackson, Sandra Kessler, Sandy LaMontagne, Sally McIntyre, Russell Martin, Susan May, Teresa Minchew, Alex Morgan, Danice Odom, Amelia Paulk, Diane Quattlebaum, Susan Rodgers, Jan Shelton, Darlene Smith, Margaret Ann Smith, Nancy Smith, Rick Thomas, Joe Vallotton.

Sophomores — Ann Bennett, Jo Ann Bennett, Bunny Bridges, Tommy Davenport, Maxwell Drew, Kent Edwards, Patsy Garvin, Alwyn Hamill, Kathryn Hansen, Maxwell Harrell, Justin Holland, Starr Howell, Molly Huckaby, Lois Johnson, Gerald Joiner, Gail Lashley, James Lineberger, Sheila McCoy, Kenneth McLeod, Patsy Middlebrooks, Roger Milam, Donna Miller, Jimmy Norton, Elaine Parish, Don Reames, Edward Scriven, Mary Shannon Sessions, Nancy Simon, Mark Spieler, Ann Spurluck, Carolyn Stallings, Shirley Stump, Marlene Taylor, Carol Tumlinson, Hiram Wilkerson, Emery Wilson, Maxine Wilson, Libba Winston.

Freshmen — Virginia Anderson, Mark Barger, Linda Blank, Donna Blanton, Linda Blase, Phillip Bonner, Beverly Boswell, Betsy Brown, Bruce Carter, Bob Chapman, Joe Crane, Ray Davidson, Buck Davis, Joey Davis, Sue Davis, Tonie DiMascio, Mary Joyce Eanes, Raleigh Elliott, Jenny Ellis, Gene Fender, Phyllis Giles, Robert Goff, Donna Goldstein, Larry Harrell, Barry Henry, Patsy Jackson, Diane Keith, Kay Koch, Susan LaMontagne, Charles Lawrence, Mac McGill, Susan Masssey, Peggy Masterson, Linda Meyer, Barbara Middlebrooks, Wynn Miller, Marshall New, Richard Nijem, Eugene Odom, Joe Owens, Debbie Phelps, Betty Potts, Sandra Pratt, Roger Rampley, Barbara Reaves, Jimmy Rigsby, David Rykard, Judy Saunders, Mary Lou Slover, Joy Smith, Randy Smith, Portia Thomas, Carolyn Wilburn, Eloise Wilkinson, Fran Woodward, Leonard LeFiles.



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Three In 'Race' For VHS Fullback Job
Albert McLeod, Sirosis Barker, Walter Zant Are The Hopefuls

THREE VALDOSTA FB'S STAGE TORRID 'DUEL'

Valdosta's football Wildcats launched the second week of their month-long spring practice Monday with a torrid duel going on between three fullback candidates.

In the scramble are Walter Zant, Sirosis Barker and Albert McLeod. All want the job as the Wildcats' number one offensive fullback next fall.

The way coach Wright Bazemore sees it, the "race" should

be both close and interesting all the way. And according to the way things look right now, all three may be called on for front-line duty during the '62 campaign.

The Wildcats' three leading fullback candidates offer a contrast in size. Zant is 5-8 and tips the scales at 145. Barker is 5-11 and weighs in at 185. McLeod is 6-1 and tips the scales at 165 pounds. Zant and Barker

are rising seniors, McLeod will be a sophomore next fall.

"It's never a good idea to start bragging this soon," Bazemore said, "but our fullback position looks pretty good. Zant and Barker alternated at the offensive fullback post last season and both did good jobs. McLeod is young and inexperienced, but he shows promise.

"Zant is a good blocker and he has fair speed, but he's small," Barker has good size and power, but his blocking leaving something to be desired at times. McLeod will be only a sophomore and he missed much of the 1961 season because of an ankle injury. He has a whole lot to learn, so he may or may not be ready by the time the new season opens."

Zant and Barker put in about equal time playing fullback on Valdosta's 1961 state Class AAA championship crew. Both did a lot to help the cause.

Zant picked up 317 yards on 76 tries for a 4.16 average. He was at his best on the night the Wildcats turned back traditional rival Albany, 29-0.

Barker powered his way for 208 yards on 52 tries for a 4.00 average. He scored the touchdown that helped pave the way for a 7-0 triumph over highly regarded Moultrie.

McLeod, during the limited time he played, gained 65 yards on 17 carries for a 3.82 average.

Bazemore has been giving all three of his fullbacks a taste of action at halfback.

"Right now we aren't planning to move any of them to halfback," the VHS grid boss said. "But we want them to know how to play halfback just in case they are needed."

While Zant, Barker and McLeod are the leaders, there is still another member of the fullback corps. He's Bruce Stockman, a 155-pound rising sophomore. Stockman played on the "B" team last fall. At present he's handicapped by a lack of experience.

Three Wildcats Make Region 'Star' Squad

By ELWOOD MOYER

COLUMBUS—Although Valdosta's Wildcats failed to land a man on the first team, they did place three players on the All-Region 1-AAA basketball squad.

First team picks in a poll of sports writers and broadcasters were Lanier's Woodrow Fincher, LaGrange's Randy Mahaffey, Columbus' Jerry Smith, Jordan's Lawton Garnto and Albany's Boogie Hill.

Fincher, the region's leading scorer, was the only unanimous selection. Mahaffey missed by one vote and Smith by two of being unanimous picks.

Valdosta's Alvie Steele was named to the second team while two other Wildcats, Bill Wisenbaker and Leo Wells, were on the Honorable Mention list.

Complete list of those making the All-Region squad with the number of votes those on the first teams received is as follows:

FIRST TEAM	
	Voting Points
Woodrow Fincher, Lanier	30
Randy Mahaffey, LaGrange	29
Jerry Smith, Columbus	28
Lawton Garnto, Jordan	27
Boogie Hill, Albany	26
SECOND TEAM	
	Voting Points
Alvie Steele, Valdosta	18
Colby Mostier, Baker	15
Don Biggs, Lanier	14
Skip Heath, Warner Robins	14
Bobby Bryant, Willingham	14
THIRD TEAM	
	Voting Points
Glenn Lord, LaGrange	10
Wayne Tucker, Moultrie	10
Barry Mitchell, Columbus	10
Chip Whitley, Columbus	9
Dub Dodgen, Albany	9
HONORABLE MENTION	
— Clarence Channell, Warner Robins; James Benson, Albany; Leo Wells, Valdosta; Todd Holman, Albany; Bill Denny, Baker; Ken Muha, Warner Robins; Bill Cecil, Warner Robins; Bill Wisenbaker, Valdosta; Marvin Croft, Moultrie; Mike Williams, Jordan; Walter Bross, Columbus; Sam Fullford, Jordan; Jack Romeo, Columbus.	
VOTING IN THE POLL	
— Johnny Moses, Radio Albany, WALG; Gary Phillips, Albany Herald; Fred J. Werner, Jr., Warner Robins; Jimmy Johnson, Moultrie Observer; Harley Bowers, Macon Telegraph; Jimmy Griggs, Radio Columbus WDAK; Everett Griner, Moultrie Radio WMGA; Sammy Glassman, Valdosta Times; Don Osborne, Columbus Enquirer; Cecil Darby, Columbus Ledger-Enquirer.	

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Times Sports Editor

Baze Displeased With Showing Of Some Vets

Coach Wright Bazemore has started throwing up a verbal dike hoping it will stop a wave of overconfidence from sweeping over his Valdosta football Wildcats.

He has let it be known that he wasn't pleased at all with the performance of some of his veteran players during the early phase of the 'Cats' four-week-long spring practice session.

"I thought I made it clear to the boys before spring practice started that they couldn't just coast along," Bazemore said. "Evidently I didn't get through to all of them."

"We've won state championship two years in a row. We will be top-heavy with seniors next fall. Everyone says we should breeze to another state championship."

"Well, let me tell you, nothing in football is ever a breeze. A boy must have pride and he must work hard to accomplish anything."

"I get accused of hauling out the crying towel when there is no reason. However, I've been associated with the game for a long time. I've seen a lot of teams, some of them mine, get nailed to the wall just



GLASSMAN

about the time the boys thought they had it made.

"Let me tell you what happened one day last week. I took my largest and most experienced boys and put them on defense. On the offensive unit were a few experienced backs, working behind what amounted to a 'green' line."

"The defensive unit should have held the upper hand, but it didn't. That offensive unit scored three times. It drove the ball right down the throat of that veteran defensive crew."

"And what happens in practice can happen in a game."

'Jolt Might Be A Defeat'

"I tried to warn the boys before the 1961 season started not to get cocky. We stumbled around and still managed to win our opening game with Baker. Then we went to Thomasville with everyone picking us to win by a comfortable margin."

"The boys remember what happened. We had to battle for our lives until we finally woke up and started playing football in the third quarter. That game jolted our boys and we went on to have a very good season."

"Next fall we might not be so lucky. The jolt we get then might be a defeat."

"You can accuse me of singing the blues if you want to. But unless some changes are made, some boys who now have first unit status might find themselves sitting on the bench watching less experienced boys who really show they want to play in action on the field."

Those who know Bazemore well realize he isn't making an idle threat — he means what he says.

Tournament To End Kittens' Long Wait

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta basketball Kittens' long, long wait is almost over.

Coach Bill Davis' charges will be in the field when the state AAA girls basketball tournament gets underway Thursday night in Atlanta.

They've been waiting for the journey to start for more than a month.

The Kittens closed out regular season play back on Feb. 10. Ex-

cept for a playoff game with Warner Robins, they've been idle since. Of course they have been practicing, all the way, but they've played just one game.

Valdosta will go against Richmond Academy of Augusta in one of four opening round games slated at the O'Keefe High gym tomorrow night. The VHS-Richmond tilt is slated for 7:30 p. m.

Other games Thursday are Warner Robins vs Coffee County (Douglas), 4:30 p. m.; Southwest

(Atlanta) vs Cherokee County (Canton), 6 p. m.; Russell (East Point) vs Murphy (Atlanta), 9 p. m.

"We've got an inexperienced team and we've had to wait five weeks for the tournament," Davis said. "Frankly, I don't know how we'll do in Atlanta. I am sure the girls will try as hard as they can."

The Kittens are defending state champions. However, just one member of the 1961 crew is still around to make the return trip to the state meet.

She is junior forward Lucille Dawson. Her helpmates at forward are Betty McClenny and Barbara Knoll. The Kittens' guard regulars include Diane Quattlebaum, Euloise Hamill, Susan Rodgers and Gail Bazemore.

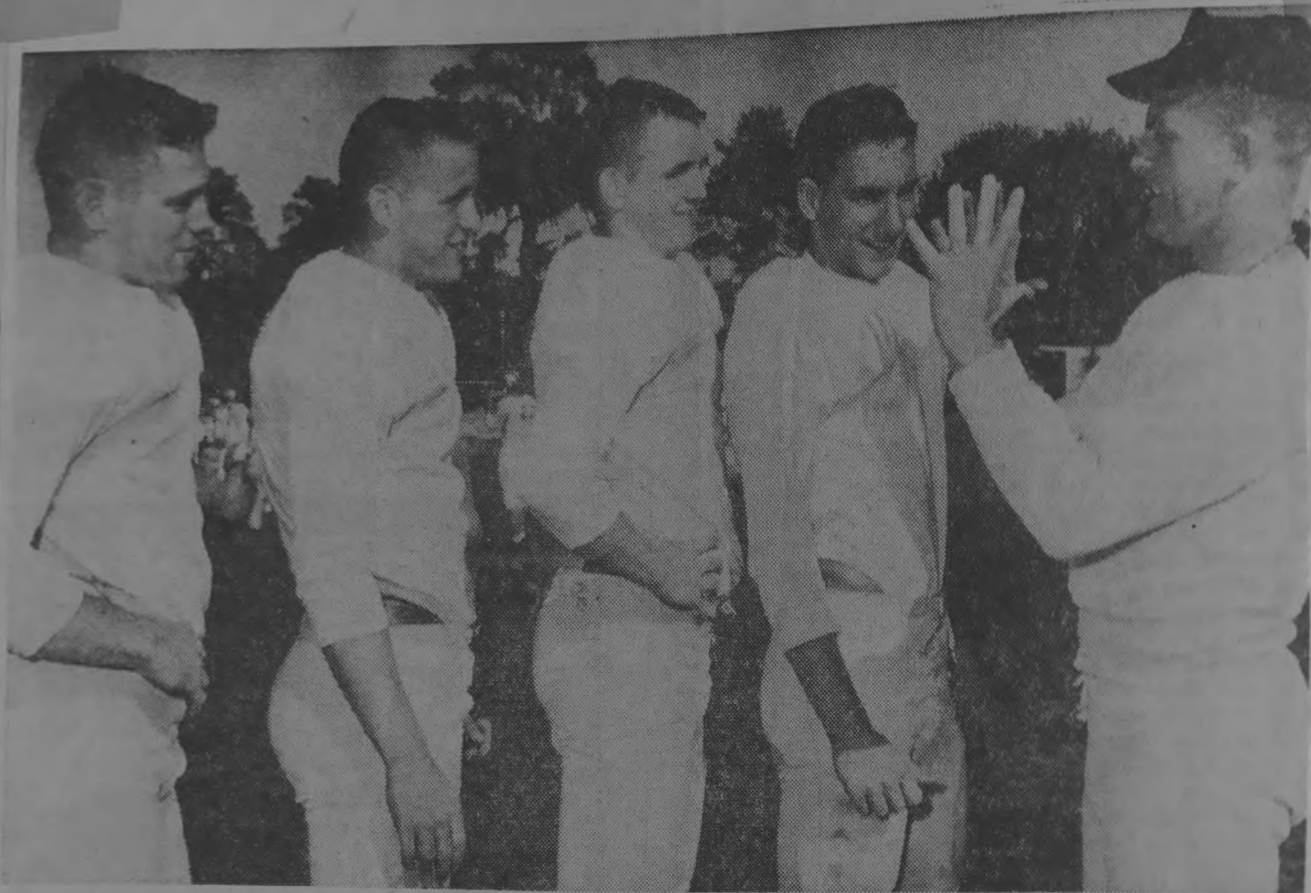
These seven have seen most of the action while the Kittens have compiled an 18-7 record.

Valdosta and Warner Robins are co-champs of Region I-AAA. However, the Kittens bowed to the Demonettes, 40-36, in a special playoff game and will go to the state meet as the number two team from I-AAA. That playoff with Robins is the only game the Kittens have played since Feb. 10.

Until they bowed to Robins, the VHS sextet had a nine-game winning streak going.

Davis says he knows very little about the Richmond team but charges must play in the opening round.

"Richmond divided a pair of games with Coffee County and so did we," Davis said. "It means we've drawn a tough foe for opening night."



Backfield Coach J. B. Roland (R) Demonstrates Proper Way To Catch A Pass

Halfbacks Giles Smith, Kenny Ruffer, Stan Reaves And Clyo Blanton Pay Close Attention

FOUR VETS GIVE CATS SOLID HALFBACK CORPUS

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Four veterans, one with a question mark knee, figure big in the Valdosta football Wildcats' halfback plans for the 1962 season.

Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats are at the midway point in the month-long spring practice session and so far the Wildcats' grid has been pretty well satisfied with the showing of his experienced halfbacks.

The four vets are Giles Smith, Stan Reaves, Clyo Blanton and Kenny Ruffer.

Ruffer is on the sideline right now after reinjuring a knee which troubled him during most of the '61 campaign. In fact he is scheduled to enter Pineview General Hospital today for an operation on the damaged knee.

He will remain in the hospital for a week to 10 days and then it may be several months before it will be known if he will be available for duty next fall.

Meanwhile Smith, Reaves and Blanton have been showing well.

Smith, a 160 pound rising senior, is being counted on as a kingpin in the 'Cats' attack plan during the '62 campaign. He's a do-everything type performer.

Last season he scored 122 points, tops in 1-AAA; he gained 638 yards rushing on 109 carries for a 5.08 average; he caught 27 passes for 609 yards to set a new 1-AAA record; he averaged 37.8 yards on 21 punts to pace the region for the second season in that department, and he booted 44 extra points to set a new state Class AAA record. To top it off he's rated a good blocker and defender.

This spring Smith is working some at quarterback so he will be ready to take over the signal calling post should QB regular Rick Thomas be forced out of action.

"You name it and if it's anything connected with playing football, Giles can do it," Bazemore said. "He's not very big, but that boy has real talent."

Reaves was a two-way performer and Blanton a defensive regular last season.

Reaves, a 165-pound rising senior, gained 267 yards rushing on 37 carries for a 7.14 average and caught seven passes that accounted for 118 yards. He did a stand-out job on defense.

Blanton didn't play enough offense last year to be included in the statistics, but he's a fine pass receiver and Bazemore says he's improving as a runner. He's

been assigned to the defensive unit again as an outside linebacker, but may be in line for duty with the "go-team."

"We've got our fingers crossed and hope Ruffer's knee gets okay by the start of the new season," Bazemore said. "If he can't play next fall, it's going to be a serious blow."

Ruffer a 165-pound rising senior, had a great year in 1960 as a sophomore, setting a new 1-AAA punt return mark. But he injured a knee in the second game of the '61 campaign and saw only limited duty after that.

Although missing all or part of many games, he picked up 127 yards on 26 carries for a 4.87 average, caught two passes that accounted for 89 yards and returned a total of 15 punts and kickoffs 264 yards.

In addition to the four veterans, the 'Cats have five more halfback candidates who were varsity or "B" team members in 1961. They are Jimmy Rigsby (140, soph.), Greg Jordan (150, soph.), Ronnie Stevens (150, soph.), Robert McLeod (140, soph.) and David Luke (125, sr.). Beside those there are a half dozen rising freshmen who will be candidates in the fall.

However, all are handicapped by a lack of experience right now and they are all relatively small.

VHS Freshman Grid Crop Rated 'Good'

By TIMES STAFF WRITER
Now that he's had a chance to look things over, coach Wright

Bazemore believes Valdosta High will have a "good" freshman football crop next fall.

Bazemore's Wildcats are nearing the mid-way point of their month-long spring practice session. Working with them are 39 eighth graders who will join the VHS squad as freshmen next fall.

"It may be a little too early to tell for sure, but it looks like we are going to have a fine group of freshmen players coming up in September," Bazemore said.

"We have a lot of them, and there seems to be a fair measure of football talent in the bunch.

"We are going to have a lot of seniors next season and it's going to be tough for a freshman to break into the ranks of the regulars. However, it can be done. Our policy has always been to play the best boys, regardless of what class in school they might be in.

"I do know we plan to carry some young boys on our varsity squad and we hope to give them an opportunity to play. The fact is we must do it.

"We have 24 seniors who will be departing after the 1962 season. So we've got to start building and making plans for 1963 or we are going to be caught out on a limb."

Bazemore has now assigned all the rising freshmen to positions. But he says some may be shifted to other positions a little later on.

"We are stressing fundamentals with all our young boys right now," the VHS coach said. "I think it's too early to try to single out individuals and say they are the better prospects. Taking all things into consideration, I do consider them a fine group with potential."

Weather permitting, the 'Cats will close out their second week of spring practice with an intra-squad, game-type scrimmage on Friday afternoon.

Roster of rising freshmen candidates is as follows:

ENDS — R. S. DeLoach (170), Ben Kirkland (115), Mike Garwood (140), Robert Strom (145), Jack Swain (135), Al Blackman (110), Bill Hogsted (115), Dennis Wetherington (145).

TACKLES — Mike Drumheller (150), Kendall Varnado (175), Ronnie Cannon (175), Mark Hollis (155), Johnny Gunter (155), Allen Davis (130), Ricky Rogers (155), Mike Carlo (170).

GUARDS — Ronald Morgan (128), Bobby Moore (165), Jimmy Miller (140), Wayne New (135), Ken Clifton (140), Don Selph (130), Bill Welch (150), Butch Pipkin (115).

CENTERS — Darrell Wetherington (130), Clay Freeman (170), Bob Folsom (120).

QUARTERBACKS — Lynn Davis (120), Larry Colson (110).

HALFBACKS — Stan Christian (120), Gene Seado (135), Bill Parramore (125), Mike Davis (135), Rollie Bailey (130), Jimmy McGhee (125).

FULLBACKS — Jimmy Neal (150), Bobby King (135), Dave Overby (130).

Eagles Defeat Russell

Valdostans Win in AAA

By CHARLIE ROBERTS

It didn't pay to get ahead of the game too soon Thursday at the O'Keefe gym.

For all four basketball teams that trailed at halftime rallied for triumphs that put them in Friday's semi-final round of the 13th annual state Class AAA girls' tournament.

Atlanta and 1-AAA sextets, from the two regions that have captured the championship on 10 of 12 occasions, again wiped the boards clean of entries from 4-AAA and 2-AAA after bitter close wrangles.

Murphy's Eagles and Southwest's Wolves, trailing by 26-24 and 23-20 at the midway breather stops, surged down the stretch to clip Russell's upset-bent Wildcats, 55-47, and Cherokee's injury-riddled girl Warriors, 44-36.

Warner Robins, also in arrears by 23-20 at halftime, stormed back for a 44-39 waltz past Coffee County's Comets to the tune of Pat Kirksey's 16-point last half.

But it was Valdosta's Wildkittens who supplied the dramatics for 2,500 first nighters with a last-second swish past Richmond Academy's 2-AAA Queens, 45-43.

Coach Bill Davis' defending champions, riddled by graduation, led Mrs. Benny Ford's sharp Augustans only twice, at 2-0 and 45-43. Sub Margaret Smith—who has scored no more than 15 points all season—gunned home the winning basket, a "snowbird," in the last second and became heroine of the hour in Valdosta.

Southwest's Joanie Seignious, Murphy's Martha Culpepper, Warner Robins' Kirksey and Valdosta's Lucille Dawson spurred their sextets with 25, 23, 23 and 20-point barrages.

But the girl sniper they'll talk about after some of the victors have been forgotten is little Marcia Quinn, who fired a 26-point salvo that kept Buddy Ellerbee's Russell six in contention until the lying moments.

The fleet, bounding, 5-1 senior, a four-year regular, averaged 33 and 29 points a game for her final two campaigns and she was the hit of show in her final night.

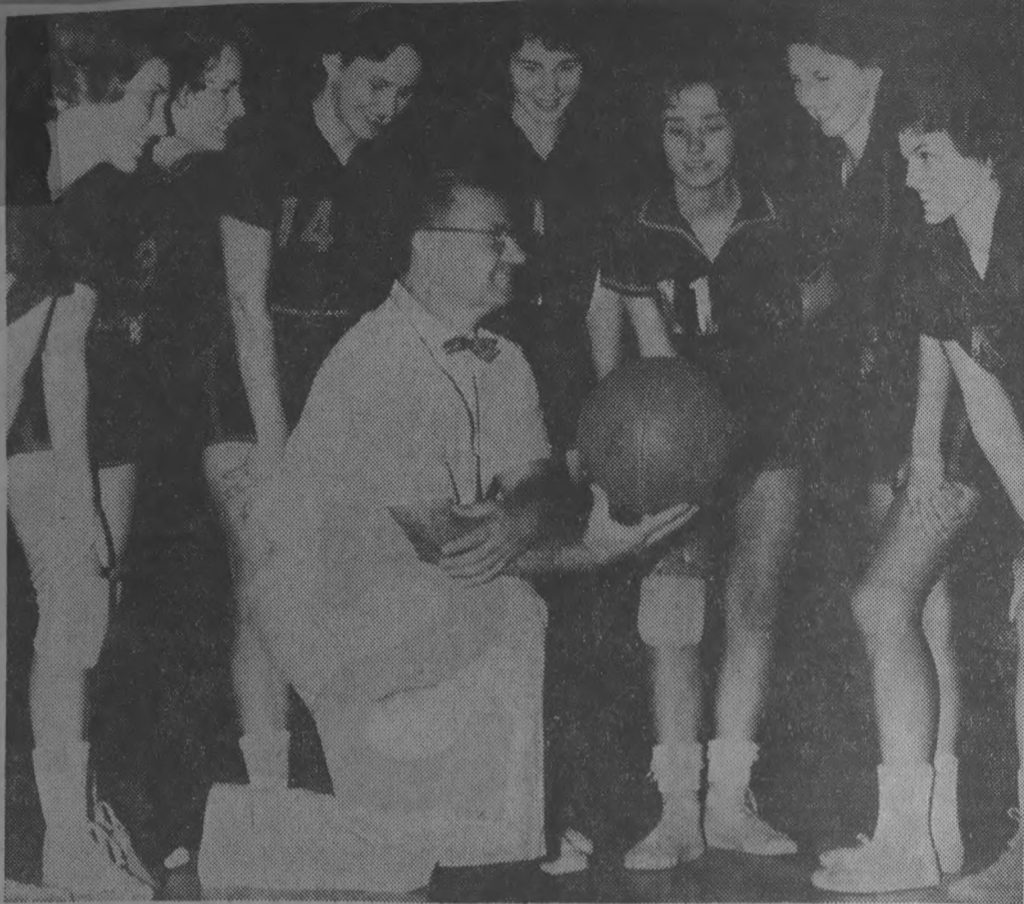
She hit eight field goals, dunked 10 of 16 foul shots, and with the help of sophomore Millie Williams' 19 counters had the Eagles in trouble all the way. Lefty Thompson's forces pulled out the decision with balanced scoring by Culpepper, Kay Brown (15) and Doris Spencer (15).

Freshman Judy Millford and Junior Paulette Richardson netted 16 and 14 points as Harold Scott's Cantonites (23-6) made Howard Brenner's Southwesterners hustle for their decision. Seigni-



Staff Photo—Hugh Stovall

VALDOSTAN HAS EYE ON BALL, ARM IN FACE
Richmond's Susan Andrews Blocks Diane Quattlebaum



Times Staff Photo

Coach Bill Davis Talks Over Tourney Plans

Bazemore, Dawson, Hamill, Quattlebaum, Rodgers, Knoll, McClenny

VHS GIRLS FACE ARC IN TOURNNEY OPENER

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Action in the state Class AAA girls basketball tournament gets underway tonight at Atlanta with Valdosta's Kittens meeting Richmond Academy in one of four first round games.

The Kittens and the sextet from Augusta will tangle at 7:30 p. m. In other games Warner Robins meets Coffee County (Douglas) at

4:30 p. m.; Southwest (Atlanta) faces Cherokee County (Canton) at 6 p. m. and Russell (East Point) tangles with Murphy (Atlanta) at 9 p. m.

The tournament is to be played at the O'Keefe High gym. Semi-finals are slated for Friday night and the finals are on tap for Saturday.

Although the Kittens are de-

fending champs, they aren't ranked with the favorites this time out. However, coach Bill Davis' youthful VHS sextet will carry an 18-7 record into the tourney and strong ambitions to bring the state crown back to Valdosta.

Davis said his probable starters for tonight's game are forwards Betty McClenny, Lucille Dawson and Barbara Knoll and guards Susan Rodgers, Diane Quattlebaum and Euloise Hamill. Guard Gail Bazemore is also likely to be called on for front-line duty. Dawson is the only returnee from the 1961 championship team.

Valdosta and Richmond have met just one mutual foe. Both divided a pair of games with Coffee County. The VHS-ARC tilt tonight is rated a toss-up. Richmond is the number one team from Region 2-AAA. Valdosta and Warner Robins share the 1-AAA title.

Southwest is the form chart favorite. The Atlanta lassies have a 24-1 record. Coach Howard Brenner's team is led by junior forward Joanie Seignious, a sharpshooter who sports a 27 points plus scoring average.

Murphy, the 1961 runner-up, is another team the experts rate as a strong title contender. It is the team that handed Southwest its only setback.



Staff Photo—Hugh Stovall

VALDOSTA'S DIANE QUATTELBAUM HITS FLOOR
Bazemore (13), Hamill Help; Andrews Watches

SUB AND GIFT BUCKET SET UP AAA REMATCH

Mixup Helps Valdosta Gain Semifinal Berth Wth Murphy

By GERRY CHATHAM

A sub who was in the game only because a regular had fouled out and a gift of two points set up a rematch between Valdosta and Murphy in the semifinals of the State Class AAA girls basketball tournament.

Valdosta defeated Murphy for the title last year.

Margaret Smith, the substitute, hit a crisp shot in the last possible second of play against Richmond Academy to give Valdosta a 45-43 victory Thursday night.

Murphy withstood a bombardment by Russell's Millie Williams and Marcia Quinn to win, 55-47. Valdosta and Murphy play tonight at 9. Warner Robins, 44-39 winner over Coffee County of Douglas, meets Southwest, 56-44 winner over Cherokee, in the other semifinal game at O'Keefe High gym at 7:30. Only 829 paid to see the games at O'Keefe.

IT DIDN'T look big at the moment but a gift basket for Valdosta in the first five seconds actually made the difference. When Valdosta put the ball in play to start the game it got the easiest layup shot of the night. Three Richmond Academy girls shockingly watched without making an attempt to break up the play.

It seems Richmond was a bit confused and its forwards

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TEAM WHOOP IT UP





Kittens Shade Richmond 45-43

Win On Goal By Smith; Face Murphy In Semis

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

ATLANTA — A forward who was in the game only because a regular had fouled out dropped in a crip with one second remaining to give Valdosta a 45-43 victory over Richmond Academy in the first round of the class AAA girls basketball tournament here Thursday night.

Actually, a mistake in the first three seconds of the game may have cost Richmond of Augusta the game. As the game started Richmond Academy's guards and forwards were confused and lined up on the wrong ends of the court. When Valdosta put the ball in play, the Kittens got a "gift" goal

Valdosta radio station WGOV will broadcast a play-by-play description of the Valdosta - Murphy game in tonight's semi-finals of the state Class AAA girls basketball tourney. The broadcast will begin at 8:55 p.m.

when Barbara Knoll drove straight for a basket against the shocked Richmond forwards.

Nevertheless, it was the crip by sub Margaret Smith in the last possible second that gave the defending champs the victory margin.

It was one of the greatest comebacks of the season for Bill Davis' six. At one point in the second quarter Valdosta trailed, 10-21, and with only 3:14 remain-

ing the Kittens trailed, 35-41.

Sharing hero honors with Smith was Betty McClenny. She hit three vital shots in the last minute and thirty seconds to pull Valdosta from behind. Her last of the trio came with 40 seconds remaining and it tied the score, 43-43, for the first time since the first five seconds.

Lucille Dawson led the Valdosta attack with 20 points and she was supported by McClenny's 15. Margaret Smith had only two — the biggest two of her career.

Knoll helped the scoring cause with eight points. The guard foursome of Diane Quattlebaum, Susan Rodgers, Euloise Hamill and Gail Bazemore turned in a stand-out defensive job.

Jeanie Perrow was high for Richmond with 21.

In other first round games last night at the O'Keefe High gym, Warner Robins beat Coffee County, 44-39; Southwest trimmed Cherokee County, 44-36, and Murphy turned back Russell, 55-47.

In the semi-finals, title favorite Southwest will meet Warner Robins at 7:30 p. m. and Valdosta will tangle with Murphy, the co-favorite, at 9 p. m.

The Kittens met and defeated Murphy in the finals of the 1961 tourney.

VALDOSTA (45) — McClenny 15, Dawson 20, Knoll 8, Smith 2, Quattlebaum, Rodgers, Hamill, Bazemore

RICHMOND (43) — Roberson 15, Perrow 21, Andrews 4, Beneteau 3, Middlebrooks, McDonald, Presswood, Hunter Stevens.

Score at Half: Richmond Academy 25, Valdosta 19.

Richmond's Susan Andrews Clutches The Ball

Valdosta Guards Susan Rodgers (L), Eloise Hamill Move In Close

Times Staff Photo

Kittens Finish Third In State

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta Kittens are back home today after capturing third place in the state Class AAA girls basketball tournament at Atlanta on Saturday night.

To earn third place in the fast state tourney field, coach Bill Davis' Kittens turned back Southwest (Atlanta), 61-47 in a consolation game.

Murphy's Eagles won the state crown with a 56-50 triumph over Warner Robins in the title match which was also played Saturday night. It was Murphy which beat Valdosta in the semi-finals to end the Kittens' hopes of repeating as state champs.

Two VHS players, forward Lucille Dawson and guard Diane Quattlebaum, were picked on the all-tourney team. Others named were forwards Joanie Seignious of

Southwest, Doris Spencer and Martha Culpepper of Murphy, Virginia Watson of Warner Robins and Marcia Quinn of Russell and guards Vivian Dixon of Warner Robins, Frances Hankey of Murphy, Sue Tidwell of Southwest, Martha McKinnon of Coffee County and Joan Leslie of Cherokee.

To beat Southwest in the consolation game, the Kittens offered a balanced attack with Betty McClenny scoring 25 points, Dawson 31 and Barbara Knoll, 23. Guards Euloise Hamill, Susan Rodgers and Quattlebaum were sharp on defense.

It was close during the early going, but Valdosta owned a 34-23

lead at the half and the Kittens were well on their way to victory by that time.

In its victory, the Kittens hit 20 field goals to Southwest's 18. At the free throw line, Valdosta picked up 21 of 31 attempts to its opponents 11 of 20.

In the total tournament scoring for Valdosta, McClenny had 58 points in three games and Dawson and Knoll wound up with 49 each for the series.

VALDOSTA (61) — McClenny 25, Knoll 23, Dawson 13, Quattlebaum, Rodgers, Hamill, Bazemore, Potts, Martin, DeLoach, Harris, Smith.

SOUTHWEST (47) — J. Seignious 18, Firor 15, Fields 14, Pounds, G. Seignious, Tidwell, Wallace, McLucus, Williams.

Score at half: Valdosta 34, Southwest 23.

Murphy Trims Kittens, 58-52

SPECIAL TO TIMES

ATLANTA — The Valdosta Kittens were victimized here Friday night by a three-minute freeze that frustrated its fourth-quarter scoring punch, and came up six points in the red, falling before the Murphy Eaglettes, 58-52 in the semi-finals of the Class AAA state girls' basketball tournament.

The visitors from Valdosta opened the scoring in the O'Keefe High Gym, with Lucille Dawson hitting on a soft touch from the outside. Murphy's Martha Culpepper immediately tied it, and the Eaglettes surged ahead to take an 18-11 first period lead.

The second period was mainly a display of foul shooting, but it proved profitable enough for Valdosta to leave the court at half-time trailing by only one point, 28-27. Out of the 16 points garnered by the Kittens, 12 came from the foul line.

Barbara Knoll sent Valdosta ahead in the third period with a fielder at 7:08 on the clock. After that, the lead changed hands four times to fill out a see-saw eight minutes.

In the fourth, Murphy managed to pull ahead 47-44 with 5:20 remaining. It was then that the Eaglettes chose to slow the game and try to keep possession. For three trying, frustrating minutes, they were picking up five foul shots in the process.

Not until 2:30 was left on the clock did Valdosta mark up another point, which came on a fielder by Barbara Knoll. After that, the Kittens could come no closer than four points (56-52) with 15 seconds remaining.

Betty McClenny and Barbara Knoll each picked up 18 points in the losing cause, and Lucille Dawson hit for 16.

Last year, in the finals of the Class AAA state girls' basketball tournament, these same two

teams met for the championship, with Valdosta walking away the victor.

In tonight's action, the Kittens will meet Southwest, who lost a 52-42 Friday night decision to Warner Robins. The game, a consolation affair, will be at 7 p.m.

Murphy and Warner Robins will meet for the championship in a game slated for 8:30 p.m.

Murphy	18	28	43	58
Valdosta	11	27	42	52

MURPHY (58) — Culpepper 28, Brown 15, Spencer 15, Roberts, M. Brown, Hankey, Perry.
VALDOSTA (52) — McClenny 18, Dawson 16, Knoll 18, Bazemore, Quattlebaum, Hamill, Martin, Harris.

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Youthful Unit Sets Pace In 'Dosta Drill

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A unit top-heavy with rising sophomores and freshmen stole the show during a game-type scrimmage here Friday that marked the end of the second week of spring football practice for the Valdosta Wildcats.

Coach Wright Bazemore divided the squad into three units and had them stage a round-robin type elimination. Two units were matched against each other for 15 minutes at a time.

A unit composed of ends Frank Haddock, Bruce Buie and Robert Goff, tackles Bill Henry and Ronnie Cannon, center Tommy Dove, quarterback Giles Smith, halfbacks Clyo Blanton and Terry Godwin and fullback Bill Welch came out of the competition unbeaten.

Smith and Blanton, a pair of returning regulars, gave the victorious unit the offensive spark it needed. Haddock, a rising senior, was called by Bazemore "by far the best end on the field today."

Buie, Goff, Henry, Cannon, Moore, Martin, Dove, Godwin and Welch, all rising freshmen and sophomores, supplied a large measure of enthusiasm and the necessary offensive and defensive talent needed to produce a winner.

Second in the competition was a unit composed of ends Bill Holtzclaw, Dick Bender and Terry Penn, tackles Randy Hunter and Charles Oliver, Bo Hall and Christy Patterson, center Eugene Gunter, quarterback Rick Thomas, halfbacks Stan Reaves and Walter Zant and fullback Sirois Barker.

Third was a unit composed of ends Danny Hendly and Wally Colson, tackles Bill Schroer and Foy Norwood, center Jimmy Robinson, quarterback Hank Lee, halfbacks Jones and Ken McLeod and fullback Albert McLeod.

Thomas was on target with many of his passes and several went for TD's. His performance was praised by the VHS grid boss.

"It was surprising that a unit composed mostly of young and inexperienced players should come out the winner," Bazemore said. "But they earned their victory. They really had the enthusiasm."

VHS DCT Event Set On Mar. 29

The annual Valdosta High DCT banquet has been set for March 29 at 8 p. m. at Ashley Oaks Restaurant.

During this time, outstanding DCT members will be recognized and guests will include city officials and business leaders in town who have helped to further the DCT program here.

James P. Horn is DCT coordinator.

Tennis Kittens Play Brooks Here Wednesday

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta High girls tennis team will meet Brooks County (Quitman) here Wednesday in the first of three matches this week for Mrs. Herman Johnson's charges.

Tomorrow's match is slated for 3 p.m. at the VHS courts.

On Friday the tennis Kittens will go against Albany at Albany. It will be their first match of the season against a Region 1-AAA foe.

On Saturday they will play a team from the San Jose Country Club of Jacksonville in a match here. That one is slated to begin at 11 a.m.

The Kittens were to play San Jose earlier in the season, but had to postpone the match because of rain.

Valdosta has a 1-1 record. The Kittens dropped their opener to the Florida State University Racket Club, then rebounded the next day with a triumph over Crisp County (Cordele).

County Gets Two While Valdosta Pupils Only One

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Students in the Lowndes County schools will get two days spring holidays this year, but those in the Valdosta system aren't quite so lucky.

The Lowndes superintendent's office today said the white schools in the county system would observe Thursday and Friday as spring holidays while the Negro schools in the county will have April 5 and 6.

Meanwhile students from the city system will just have to sit back and look in envy as their county cousins take two days off.

The Valdosta superintendent's office said the city schools would have only one day as their spring holiday — April 20, Good Friday.



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Long And Short Of Valdosta End Corps
Holtzclaw (5-8) with 6-Foot Plus Bender, Colson, Hendley

VHS END CANDIDATES STAGE REDHOT 'DUEL'

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Three veteran ends are finding the competition at the flank position keen as the Valdosta Wildcats move into the third week of their month-long spring football practice session.

"If we were going to play a game tomorrow I'd have a tough time picking the starters at end," VHS head coach Wright Bazemore said. "We've got three returning regulars at the position, but they are being pushed mighty hard by several of our less experienced boys."

"I'd say that right now the starting assignments at end on both our offensive and defensive units are still up for grabs."

The returning regulars are Danny Hendley (190), Wally Colson (195) and Bill Holtzclaw (160). All will be seniors next fall. Hendley was a starter with the defensive unit during the '61 season. Colson and Holtzclaw saw a lot of front-line action on offense.

Other flankmen candidates with their weights and the class they will be in in September are as follows:

Dick Bender (160, sr.), Bruce Buie (145, jr.), Frank Haddock (165, sr.), Terry Penn (153, sr.), Robert Goff (145, soph.), Ted Minnick (150, jr.), Wilburn Johnson (165, jr.), Billy Bray (150, soph.), R. S. Deloach (170, fresh.), Mike Garwood (140, fresh.), Robert Strom (145, fresh.), Jack Swain (135, fresh.), Al Blackman (110, fresh.), Bill Hogsted (115, fresh.), Dennis Wetherington (145,

fresh.), Ben Kirkland (115, fresh.).

Bender, Buie, Haddock, Penn and Goff have all shown well enough this spring to attract Bazemore's attention. Among the rising freshmen, the VHS grid boss rates Deloach, Garwood, Strom and Swain as "youngsters with potential."

Bazemore thinks the outlook for the 1962 season at end is "good."

"With the exception of Hendley and Colson, none of our end candidates are very big," the coach said. "But we have a measure of experience at the position and the way things look now we will have some depth."

"We've got several pretty good pass receivers and we hope they can all show improvement. We want to improve our passing attack next season, and to do that we've got to have offensive ends who can hang on to the ball when it's thrown their way."

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"But don't ask me who will be the starters. Right now I can't tell you."

On Friday the Wildcats will mark the end of the third week of their practice with an intrasquad, game-type scrimmage. They will close out the spring session on March 30 in their annual game with the "Has-Beens."

130 High School Students To Attend VSC Senior Day

Approximately 130 high school students from Georgia and Florida will attend the annual Senior Day program at Valdosta State College this Saturday.

Purpose of the program is to give interested students an opportunity to visit the VSC campus before deciding to apply for admission. Many students attending the program, however, have already made application for admission this fall.

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Members of the VSC Student Government Association will act as official hosts for the visiting high school seniors. Students from Valdosta and Lowndes County, as well as out-of-town students, have been invited to the program.

Registration for the Senior Day program will begin at 9 a.m. in the Rotunda of Ashley Hall.

Dr. J. Ralph Maxton, VSC president, will welcome the visiting students at an assembly in the college gymnasium. Students will be given an opportunity later in the morning to meet faculty members and ask questions about

various majors and programs.

Other activities will include campus tours conducted by the SGA representatives, a college fashion show at 3:15 p.m., and an afternoon coke party in the House-in-the-Woods, sponsored by the Panhellenic and Inter-Fraternity Councils.

Spring Sports Slate Crowded This Week

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

This week's spring sports schedule for local high school and college teams will be crowded with baseball, track and tennis action on tap.

On the baseball front, coach Billy Grants' Valdosta State College Rebels (1-6) were to face Erskine College in a twin-bill here this afternoon.

Coach J. B. Roland's Valdosta High Wildcats have a pair of games on tap. They open their season against Moultrie on Tuesday and face Baker's Lions at Columbus on Friday. Both games are with Region 1-AAA foes, but the tilt with Moultrie won't count in the title race.

Coach Noel George's Lowndes County Golden Eagles (1-0) will get their first Region 1-A (East) test against Ware County at Way-

cross on Thursday.

Coach Bill Kittrell's VHS Wildcats, coach Lamar Drew's LOHI Eagles and the Jasper (Fla.) Bulldogs will take part in a three-team track meet slated for 3 p.m. Thursday at the Lowndes track. It will be the first action of the new season for all three teams.

The VSC tennis Rebs (2-1) have a pair of "home" matches. Coach Gary Colson's charges are to meet Hope College on Friday and tangle with Florida Southern College on Saturday.

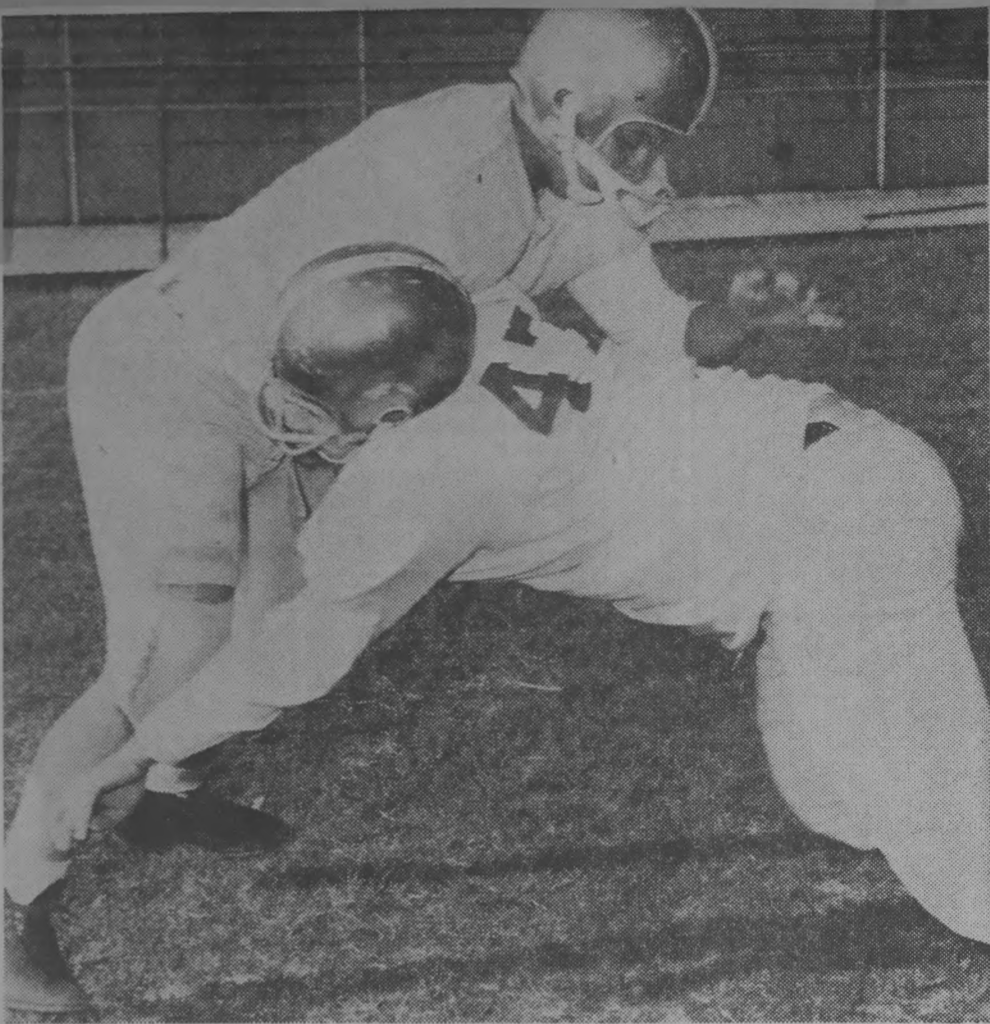
A match slated here last Saturday between the Valdosta tennis Kittens and a team from the San Jose Country Club of Jacksonville was postponed because of rain.

The Kittens, coached by Mrs. Herman Johnson, will take part in an invitational tournament here

this coming Saturday along with entries from Crisp County (Cordele), Brooks County (Quitman) and Moultrie.

The tourney is being sponsored by the Valdosta Tennis Boosters Club. Starting time will be 9 a.m. It will be held at the McKey Park Courts.

There will be divisions for varsity and junior varsity players.



Tackle Candidates Trade 'Licks' During Drill
Bill Henry, Charles Oliver Take Part In Blocking Exercise

WILDCATS HAVE SIZE, EXPERIENCE AT TACKLE

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Most coaches contend that good tackle play is necessary for football success.

Right now Valdosta's head coach Wright Bazemore isn't sure, but he thinks the Wildcats will have a measure of strength at the important interior line post next fall.

"We've got size and some experience at tackle," Bazemore said as the 'Cats near the end of their third week spring practice.

"Some of our tackles need to improve their speed. Lot of folks think tackles are supposed to be slow. Well, the good ones aren't slow and we want to have some good ones."

The Wildcats have three experienced performers at the position. They are Billy Schroer, a 205-pound rising senior; Foy Norwood, a 210-pound rising junior and Charles Oliver, a 180-pound rising senior.

Schroer, an All-State selectee in '61, and Norwood were two-way performers last fall. Oliver was a regular with the offensive unit. Norwood has also had some experience at center.

Other candidates for the post, their weights and the grade they will be in next September are as follows:

Randy Hunter (215, sr.), Bill Henry (170, soph.), Henry Harnage (225, sr.), Andy Larson (145, jr.), Jay Perryman (185, jr.), Mike Luke (180, jr.), Alfred Spencer (165, soph.), Mike Ireland (160 jr.), Kendall Varnado (175, fresh.), Ronnie Cannon (185, fresh.), Mike Drumheller (150, fresh.), Mike Carlo (170, fresh.), Mark Hollis (155, fresh.), Johnny Gunter (155, fresh.), Allen Davis (130, fresh.), Ricky Rogers (155, fresh.).

Hunter was a varsity reserve in

'61 and is making a strong bid for a starting assignment this time out. Henry, up from the junior varsity, and newcomers Varnado and Cannon are rated by Bazemore as "young players with good potential."

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"There's a lot of competition at tackle," Bazemore said. "Some of

the young players are pushing the veterans mighty hard."

The 'Cats were to close out their third week of practice with an intra-squad, game-type scrimmage today. Next Friday they will go against the "Has-Beens" in a game that will mark the close of the off-season drill session.

DIAMOND POETS NO. 1 IN AAA

Defending Kings Top Favorite; Willingham Looms Chief Threat

By ROD SPICER

With basketball activity dying down to a few concentrated dribbles at assorted tourneys here and there, most everyone's thoughts are turning to baseball.

In Florida it's the Yankees everyone's shooting to beat, out West it's the Giants and closer to home on the prep scene down Region One Class AAA way it's Lanier.

With region play due to begin April 3, most of the nine schools in the area have taken to the practice field but it looks like it'll be the rest of the field against Lanier.

The poets, who took the region title for the sixth time in 11 years last time around with a 12-2 overall record, will be going without their coach, Elton Wall, during this span.

New Coach Bobby Brown takes up where Wall left off.

Stiffest competition for Lanier may again come from Coach Billy Henderson's Willingham Rams, who finished second in the region with a 7-1 mark last year.

The baseball title will be determined on season loop play with all nine schools fielding teams scheduled to play one-game series. The season concludes May 8.

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OTHER SPRING sports also get into full swing during the next month with golf, tennis and track on the agenda.

Region golf and tennis tournaments will be held in Columbus on Saturday, May 5, and the track meet follows at Macon Saturday, May 12. Sub-region track competition will be held at Macon and Columbus.

Valdosta, Lanier, Albany, Willingham, and Warner Robins compete in the Macon sub meet, while the other schools make the junket to Columbus.

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Times Sports Editor

Baze Not Sure Poundage Is Answer To His Dreams

For three years coach Wright Bazemore has been looking forward to the day when his football Wildcats would have some size.

But now that he has a fair share of heavyweights in the fold, he's not so sure poundage is the answer to a football coach's dreams.

During the 1960 and 1961 seasons, the VHS teams that won 24 in a row and earned state Class AAA crowns back-to-back were lightweight crews.

But what the 'Cats of 1960-61 lacked in size, they more than made up for it with their speed.



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"For two years we met and beat teams that had decided weight advantages over us," Bazemore said. "It was a tough go, but the boys worked hard and got the job done. All that time I kept thinking that when some of our players grew up and had some size we would have it made."

"But things have been happening during our spring practice which makes me wonder."

"Some of our boys have taken on extra weight. At the same time they've lost some of their speed."

"During a recent scrimmage I put seven of our biggest and most experienced linemen on one unit. The ends on this unit weighed 195 and 190, the tackles were 205 and 210, the guards 205 and 175 and the center 215. You've got to admit that looks impressive on paper."

"We had two other units, both with linemen that were much smaller, going against them. No one ran over our big guys. But a lot of folks went around and by them."

Considering Some Changes

"You know in football just a fraction of a difference in speed can mean a whole lot. It can mean the difference between a defender throwing a ball carrier for a loss, or missing a tackle and letting a touchdown be scored."

"I've been trying to figure it out. You know the larger a boy is, the longer it takes him to reach peak playing condition. We haven't stressed conditioning this spring. So maybe some of our bigger players will pick up a little more speed toward the end of our spring practice when they've had longer to get in shape."

"But so far some of our smaller, and I might add quicker boys, have been showing better than some of our big guys. I'd include Frank Haddock, a 165-pound end; Jack Martin, a 160-pound guard and Bobby Moore, a 165-pound guard, in that group."

"Maybe we need to make some changes. I do know we've got to do something to improve our speed."

To Field Best Combination

"Size in football is supposed to be an advantage. But size isn't the whole answer. You've also got to have speed."

"The ideal situation is to be big and quick. For two years you might say our teams have been little and quick."

"I was hoping that next fall we'd have more size and still be quick. Right now I'm not so sure things will work out as we'd like for them to."

"You have to follow one rule in football. You've got to play the boys who do the best job even if it means using a little fellow while a big guy sits on the bench."

"When the 1962 season opens we want to have our best combination out there on the field. And we will, even if it's a flyweight crew."

AT MOULTRIE

'Cats Open Diamond Campaign On Tuesday

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

The Valdosta Wildcats will lift the curtain on their 1962 baseball season when they meet the Moultrie Packers at Moultrie Tuesday afternoon.

While the game is between Region 1-AAA members, the contest is billed as an exhibition game and won't count in the league standings.

Regional opener for coach J. B. Roland's 'Cats will be Friday when they face Baker's Lions at Columbus.

Last season the Wildcats compiled an overall record of 3-6. They had a 2-5 mark in regional competition.

They return all of their 1961 regulars, and Roland is hoping his charges can make an improved showing.

"We are going to be more experienced than we were last spring", Roland said. "We are hoping it will mean that we will be improved."

The returning regulars include pitchers Bill Myddleton (jr.) and Mark Holloway (jr.), first baseman Wally Colson (jr.), second baseman Rick Thomas (jr.), shortstop Tommy Johnson sr., third baseman Billy Schroer (jr.), catcher James Wetherington (sr.) and outfielders Clyo Blanton (soph.), Stan Reaves (jr.), Bud Bridges (sr.) and Walter Zant (jr.).

Roland said several newcomers have shown promise in early drills. They include pitcher Charles Leonard (fresh), infielders Eddie Bentley (jr.), Terry Godwin (fresh.), Heywood Moore (fresh.) and Jimmy Robinson (jr.) and outfielder Ken McLeod (soph.).

Most of the candidates have been devoting most of their time during the past four weeks to spring football practice.

"We haven't had a chance to work much so far," Roland said. "We are really going to have to go hard to catch up."

All that has been completed so far is the Wildcats' regional schedule. Roland said the 'Cats will slate other games with several non-regional foes. The schedule of regional games follows:

April 3, Moultrie, there (exhibition); April 6, Baker, there; April 13, Jordan, there; April 17, Lanier, here; April 20, Albany, there; April 27, Moultrie, here; May 1, Willingham, there; May 4, Warner Robins, here.

Cast Is Set For VHS Play Of Seniors

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Parts have been cast for the Valdosta High School senior play April 19.

"All Shook-Up", the David Rogers script adapted from the novel "Anastasia Schultz" by Todd Hunt, is a three-act comedy farce centered around a farm girl who goes to college and becomes involved with the faculty and her beatnik roommate.

This is the first time in many years the VHS senior class has presented a play. All funds will go to help pay for the senior banquet April 27.

Mrs. William Wisenbaker, senior advisor, is directing the production.

The cast includes Bill Wilson, Prof. Grudge; Bill Wisenbaker, Prof. McToshmore; Cheryl Metts, Miss Strongarm; Peter Van Horn, Gardner; Leo Wells, Mr. Snoop; Jeannie Hoyle, Anastasia Schultz; Bob Owens, Dean Worthy.

Mike Giles, Pierre; Gary Minchew, Alister; Becky Odum, the Girl; Jennifer Howse, Peggy (beatnik); Gerrie Amon, Myrtle Hoffstrom; and Benjie, Mike Watson.



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Rah! Rah! The Spirited Eight At VHS

These are the newly elected cheerleaders at Valdosta High School. Left to right, front row, are Bonnie Gerlock, Starr Howell, Betty McClenny, Sara Smith; back row, Captain Andy Shenton, Diane Quattlebaum, Lucille Dawson, and Cheryl Pelfrey. The girls will display their yelling abilities for the first time as a group Friday night at a "Has-Been" football game.

VHS Science Unit Ranks On Top, Pupil Proves It

The science department at Valdosta High School can well be termed as one of the strongest in the state. . . .

Not only are the instructors of a high caliber but they bring out the best in the students. . .

This was demonstrated last weekend at the 8th District Science Fair when Charles Barker came home with the Grand Champion Award. . .

The VHS junior is a student of Mrs. Grady Massey. . . And humble is the adjective that best describes him. . . When his project on cancer in mice was given the top honor, he could hardly believe it. . . He kept saying, "there were so many other projects that I felt were better than mine. . ."

The Board of Education voted to send Charles and Mrs. Massey to the State Science Fair at Athens on April 5-7. . .

This is the first time a VHS student had ever participated in the district fair and it's quite a compliment to the



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school, faculty and to Barker for capturing the highest award the first time out. . .

He has been nominated for math workshops at the University of Georgia, Emory University and Florida State University. . .

Another VHS student Robert Murphy won second place in his division last week at Waycross. . . The outstanding sophomore hopes to enter again next year. . .

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'Cats' Spring Practice Leaves Baze Grumbling

Coach Wright Bazemore has left no doubt at all that he was both displeased and disappointed in the performance of his Valdosta Wildcats during their four weeks of spring football practice.

"During the four weeks of spring practice we had only about three good days," Bazemore said. "That performance we gave against the 'Has-Beens' last Friday night was something I'd just as soon forget about. I said right after the game I thought we stunk. I haven't changed my opinion."



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Although the Wildcats beat the "Has-Beens," 26-13, the 'Cats had their troubles. They could make their attack click only in spurts and while they held the "Has-Beens" scoreless until the final minute of play, the 'Cats had their troubles on defense earlier in the contest.

But let's keep in mind that the "Has-Beens" were a good team stocked with experienced hands. My feelings about the game are these. I thought the Wildcats beat a good team, but gave a ragged performance. They lacked the sharpness which highlighted their better performances last year.

Now let's get back to Bazemore's views of the contest.

"Let's admit that the "Has-Beens" were a good team," Bazemore said. "However, next season we are going to meet teams that are almost as experienced, teams that will have more depth, teams that will be in better condition and teams that will be better organized. You know coach Bill Crook had only two weeks to get the "Has-Beens" ready for the game.

May Give Up Two-Team Plan

"If we play all season like we did against the 'Has-Beens' we'll be lucky to win two or three games. The boys can believe this or not. I'm getting tired of trying to warn them.

"What distresses me is that the boys didn't play up to their potential. We've got too many who are self-satisfied. Everyone keeps telling them all they've got to do is throw their helmets out on the field and opposition will run for the stands. Well, it's not that way at all. It was the "Has-Beens" who carried the fight to us.

"Our offensive blocking, well, there just wasn't any.

On defense we didn't penetrate and there was no unity, even with our largest and most experienced players in there, the 'Has-Beens' still pushed us around. They didn't beat us, but we sure were badly bent.

"We may have to give up on our two-team plan. We'll have to think about it some more and see how things go at the start of fall practice.

"I do know there are going to have to be some changes. I'm sure glad the start of the '62 season isn't on us yet. We are a long, long way from being ready.

Calls Game A 'Jolt'

"Usually after spring practice I can relax for a while. But who can relax after a performance like the one last Friday. It's going to spoil my whole spring and summer.

"But maybe it was a good thing. Maybe the boys now realize what I've been trying to tell them. I was jolted, I hope the boys were too.

"When we start fall practice we can't afford to fiddle around like we did this spring. Football is a demanding game. You've got to pay the price or you don't win. It's as simple as that.

"We've got the potential for another good team. We didn't show a fraction of that potential against the 'Has-Beens.' We are a better ball club than we showed on Friday night. We've got to be a better ball club or we are going to be in real trouble next season."

As it was noted at the beginning, Bazemore was both disappointed and displeased with the performances of his charges during spring practice.

Wildcats Meet 'Vets' Tonight

To Close Spring Practice With Football Twin-Bill

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

A doubleheader, something new for the Wildcats, will ring down the curtain on Valdosta High's month-long spring football practice session here tonight.

The twin-bill is to be played at Cleveland Field and is being co-sponsored by the VHS V Club and the Valdosta Touchdown Club.

Opening event will be a game between teams composed of eighth and ninth grade players. This one will begin at 6:30 p.m.

At 8 p.m. coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats will meet the "Has-Beens" in what has become a traditional spring football contest.

The Valdosta Junior High and Valdosta Senior High bands will be on hand to enliven the occasion. If fair weather prevails, a large turnout of fans is expected.

Last year the 'Cats beat the "Has-Beens", 40-7. But the "veterans" Bazemore's charges will be facing tonight are rated much stronger than the team they licked with ease last spring.

Bill Crook is serving as coach for the "Has-Beens." In the opening game, coach Bill Bennett will make the decisions for the ninth grade team and junior high mentors Joe Wilson and Tom Moody will direct operations for the eighth graders. Bazemore and his assistants Bill Kittrell, J. B. Roland and Bill Davis will be calling the shots for the Wildcats.

Among the players on the "Has-Beens" roster are Bruce Bennett, Butch Luke, Rusty Griffin, Skipper Prewitte, Gary Minchew, Frank Wetherington and Jerry Varnado, all regulars on VHS' state Class AAA championship team last fall.

Bennett, who was attack leader for the Wildcats for three years, is expected to lead the "Has-

Beens" both along the ground and through the air. A do-everything type back, the 165-pounder earned All-State, All-Southern and All-America honors.

Halfbacks Kenny Ruffer and Cloy Blanton, a pair of experienced hands, will miss the fray because of knee injuries. Otherwise the 'Cats will go into the game in good physical condition. They are also well stocked with returning regulars and rate an edge in depth.

The Wildcats' probable starters are as follows:

Offense — ends Wally Colson (195) and Bill Holtzclaw (160) or Dick Bender (160), tackles Randy Hunter (215) and Charles Oliver (180), guards Bo Hall (165) and Christy Patterson (155), center Eugene Gunter (180), quarterback Rick Thomas (155), halfbacks Giles Smith (160) and Stan Reaves (165) and fullback Sirosis Barker (185).

Defense — ends Danny Hendley (190) and Albert McLeod (165), tackles Billy Schroer (205) and Jimmy Robinson (215), middle guard Bill Myddleton (205), outside linebackers Walter Zant (145) and Terry Godwin (145), inside linebackers Bill Holt (175) and Foy Norwood (210) and safetymen Reaves and Hank Lee (160).

Returning regulars on the offensive unit are Holtzclaw, Colson, Thomas, Reaves, Smith and Barker. The more experienced players on the defensive unit are Hendley, Schroer, Robinson, Myddleton, Zant, Holt, Norwood and double-duty man Reaves.



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Outstanding DCT Student Named at VHS Club's Banquet

Speaker Nix, Miss Mayer and J. H. Horn, DCT Coordinator

More Stress Needed On Vocational Training, Educator Tells Valdostans

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Students and parents, who face the complexities of an ever changing 20th century world, were given some advice here Thursday night on how to better tackle an America with too few jobs and too many job seekers.

Jack Nix, director of vocational education for Georgia, handed out the advice at the annual Valdosta High School DCT banquet.

Nix said, "People who lose jobs nowadays lose them because of a lack of personality or a lack of skill. If you want to do a good job, get an education in the direction of your abilities. Many young people are not willing to work and get an education," Nix declared, "and the principal cause is the parents not better instilling the right attitude" in their children.

The DCT Club honored one of its number—Carolyn Mayer—who

was announced as the outstanding DCT student of the year for VHS.

The vocational training program at VHS is a part of the school's program to prepare students for jobs when they complete high school, if they don't go on to college.

Nix called for a continued emphasis in vocational education in Georgia. He said of the 38,000 high school graduates in the state this year, 24,000 will need immediate employment or post high school training.

"We need to provide for those who do not go to college, we need area vocational training schools," Nix declared.

He asked "Which of the new people going into jobs will get the job?"

Answering his own question, the speaker told the DCT banquet crowd:

"Not the unskilled, not the un-

educated, but the skilled. There is a need for many machine operators, instrument watchers and technicians. The demand will rise . . . so will the job's pay."

Football Twin-Bill Slated By Wildcats

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

The Valdosta Wildcats will close out spring football practice with not just one, but two football games on Friday night.

Coach Wright Bazemore announced plans for the grid doubleheader at a Valdosta Touchdown Club-sponsored fish supper here Monday night.

The main attraction will be the annual duel between the 'Cats and the "Has-Beens." This one is to start at 8 p. m.

Bazemore revealed that another game is on tap. It will start at 7 p. m. and will match a team composed of eighth grade players against a team composed of ninth graders.

"We have so many young players this year we felt that another game was necessary," Bazemore said. "This is the first time we've tried a doubleheader, but we think the fans will enjoy it and we know it will benefit our program."

More than 300 Valdosta High players, coaches, TD Club members and guests attended the fish supper at the Lowndes County 4-H Club Camp. The event marked the opening of the TD Club's membership drive.

Georgia Tech assistant coach

Spec Landrum was the guest speaker and he offered the Wildcats a challenge.

"No team has ever won the state Class AAA championship three years in a row since the regional plan was started in the 1940's," Landrum said. "And if I'm not mistaken it never happened even before that. You boys next season will have an opportunity to become the first to accomplish the feat."

Landrum said that people throughout Georgia have a respect for and an interest in Valdosta because of its fine football teams.

"The teams you play would rather beat you than anyone else," Landrum said. "That is a compliment to your ability."

Bazemore, during a brief talk, said he thought this year's game between the 'Cats and "Has-Beens" will be one of the best in the series.

He termed this year's crop of freshmen players "one of the finest we've had and its a tribute to junior high coaches Joe Wilson and Tom Moody."

TD Club president Johnny B. Lastinger served as master of ceremonies.

"Has-Beens" coach Bill Crook

Wildcats Preparing For Tilt With Vets

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta Wildcats today got down to the serious business of getting ready for their annual spring football outing against the "Has-Beens."

Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats will close out four-weeks of drills when they meet the "Has-Beens" on Friday night at Cleveland Field.

The "Has-Beens", who will be coached by Bill Crook, will be

composed of graduating seniors. In the lineup will be seven players who were offensive or defensive regulars on Valdosta's 1961 state Class AAA team.

Bazemore can also field a Wildcat crew well stocked with returning regulars from last year's title team.

For three weeks the VHS players have been divided for intrasquad, game-type scrimmages. This week the search is on for

the best combination to start against the "Has-Beens."

"We are looking for our best combinations for offense and defense," Bazemore said. "No one is assured of a starting assignment. We'll pick our starters from the boys who show the best in practice this week."

The Wildcats, the "Has-Beens" and their coaches will be honored guests at a fish supper the Valdosta Touchdown Club will stage tonight. The supper is to begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Lowndes County 4-H Club Camp.

Spec Landrum, a member of the Georgia Tech football coaching staff, will be the guest speaker. He will also show a movie of highlights of Georgia Tech's 1961 grid campaign.

Bazemore and Crook will give their views of how they expect things to go in the game between the Wildcats and the "Has-Beens."

The fish supper, an annual affair, will mark the opening of the TD Club's membership drive. The club's membership goal is 500.

"We'd like to remind those who aren't members of the club that they can come to the supper tonight and join," TD Club president Johnny B. Lastinger said. "Our club dues are just \$10 a year."

The game between the 'Cats and "Has-Beens" is to be do-sponsored by the V-Club, an organization of VHS sports letter winners, and the Touchdowners.

Tickets for the game, priced at \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students, are now on sale.

Tickets may be purchased from V Club members or at Barnes Drug Store (downtown and Brookwood Plaza), Bel-Lile Drugs, Belcher's Drug Store, Brookwood Pharmacy and The Sports Center.

was unable to attend. Joe Griffin, speaking for Crook, reported that the "Has-Beens" are primed and ready for their Friday night duel with the Wildcats.

Griffin and Hambone Larson were in charge of arrangements for the fish supper.

Jimmy New and Art Hock began signing up members for the club. The Touchdowners' membership goal this year is 500 and New urged "everyone to work so our goal may be attained."

Wildcats Trim 'Vets', 26-13

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta's Wildcats gained a 26-13 football victory over the "Has-Beens" here Friday night, but they failed to impress their coach Wright Bazemore.

After the game, which marked the close of spring practice for the 'Cats, Bazemore frowned and summed up his feelings concerning his charges' performance with, "We stunk."

"The 'Has-Beens' carried the fight to us all the way," the VHS grid boss said. "There isn't one of our players who deserves to be praised."

While the game produced plenty of scoring for the approximately 3,000 fans who turned out, it was marred by fumbles. The 'Cats bobbled the ball four times

covered a fumble and the 'Cats were back in business at the "Has-Beens" 16. They tallied in three plays. Fullback Walter Zant went eight yards, Smith gained seven and Thomas sneaked it over from the one.

In the final period the 'Cats winged down to the "Has-Beens" 26 behind an aerial assault led by Smith. They lost the ball on a fumble. Two plays later end Bruce Buie recovered a "Has-Beens" fumble and the Cats were at the 31. Then quarterback Heywood Moore tossed one to end Dick Bender in the end zone for the Wildcats' fourth tally.

Early in the game the "Has-Beens" recovered a fumble at the Wildcats' 29 and on the next play Bennett tossed a 26-yard pass to end Jack McDonald that carried to the three. The "Has-Beens" out to the seven and recovered a fumble to end the threat.

The "Veterans" didn't offer another serious scoring threat until time had almost run out.

There was just 53 seconds left to play when Bennett passed one to halfback Jerry Varnado down the left side. The play covered 69 yards and clicked for a touchdown.

There was even less time remaining when Bennett intercepted a pass and sprinted 55 yards for the "Has-Beens" second TD. Just one second of playing time was left when he reached the end zone.

The Wildcats finished with a big edge in first downs, 15 to 4, and rushing yardage 164-48. The "Has-Beens" picked up 107 yards passing to 88 for the 'Cats.

Rushing leaders for the Wildcats were Smith, 15-89; Barker, 13-50; Zant, 2-15, and Reaves, 3-13. Thomas connected on two of eight passes for 18 yards. Smith hit on four of five tosses for 40 yards. Beside the passes that resulted in scores, Colson caught three that accounted for 19 yards and Reaves hauled in one that was good for 20 yards.

While Bennett picked up just four yards on 11 running tries, he completed five of 12 passes for 107 yards. Fullback Butch Luke picked up 25 yards on nine runs to lead the "Has-Beens" ground attack.

LINEUPS

VALDOSTA
Ends — Bender, Buie
Tackles — Coffey, Haddock
Linebackers — Cannon, Oliver, Harnage, Hunter, Robinson
Guards — Patterson, Moore, Hall, Holt, Martin
Centers — Gunter, Dove

Backs — Zant, Barker, K. McLeod, Thomas, Godwin, Lee, A. McLeod, H. Moore, Reaves, Welch, Jordan, Smith, Stockman, Holtzclaw, D. Luke.

"HAS-BEENS"
Linemen — DeLoach, Griffin, Prewitte, Minchew, Dennis, Wehring, Garret, Tindal, McDonald, Dasher, Pendleton, Adams, Greene.

Backs — Bennett, B. Luke, Hatcher, Varnado.

Score by quarters: 6 0 13 7-26
Wildcats 6 0 13 13
"Has-Beens" 0 0 0 13-13
Scoring TD's — Wildcats — Robinson (79 yd. return, intercepted pass), Holtzclaw (12 pass from Thomas), Bender (20 yd. pass from H. Moore), Thomas (1 yd. run); "Has-Beens" — Bennett (53 yd. return, intercepted pass), Varnado (69 yd. pass from Bennett), PAT's — Wildcats — Smith (placement), Myddleton (placement); "Has-Beens" — Garral (placement).

Times Staff Photo
'Cats' Giles Smith Goes Down After 7-Yard Gain
Makes Dust Fly As He's Tripped Up By 'Has-Beens' Defender

STATISTICS		'Cats	H-B
First Downs		15	4
Yards Rushing		164	48
Yards Passing		88	107
Passes		7-17	5-12
Passes Intc. by		1	1
Fumbles		4	6
Fumbles Lost		2-27	5-44
Punting		1-5	4-20
Penalties			

and lost it four times. The "Has-Beens" fumbled six times and lost the pigskin three times.

Although the Wildcats had their troubles they built up a 26-0 lead. The "Has-Beens", coached by Bill Crook, avoided a shutout by scoring a pair of Bruce Bennett-engineered touchdowns in the final minute of the contest.

The 'Cats' first TD came in the second period when tackle Jimmy Robinson intercepted a pass and rumbled 79 yards to paydirt. The 215-pound lineman was escorted by a large corps of blockers the last 50 yards.

After halfback Giles Smith had sprinted 48 yards and was caught from behind at the 14 by Bennett, the 'Cats moved to the seven yard line in the second period. They lost the ball on a fumble.

In the third stanza, the 'Cats recovered a fumble at the "Has-Beens" 45 and needed eight plays to get their second TD. The tally came on a well-executed 12 yard pass play from quarterback Rick Thomas to end Bill Holtzclaw. Fullback Sirosis Barker, Smith and halfback Stan Reaves chipped in with good runs during this march.

Before the period ended the 'Cats moved to the "Has-Beens" two yard line, but had been thrown back to the 17 when they lost the ball on downs. Two plays later guard Bill Myddleton re-

Region 1-AAA Slates Spring Sports Events

Notes On This And That:

Region 1-AAA has plans well underway for its spring sports championship events.

Loop officials have voted to stage the 1-AAA golf and tennis tournaments in Columbus May 5. The region's track meet is slated for May 12 at Macon.

Before the 1-AAA track and field duel, there will be sub-meets at Macon and Columbus. Valdosta will compete in a sub-meet at Macon with entries from Albany, Lanier, Willingham and Warner Robins.

The loop has voted to boost the number of individuals or teams a school may enter in each track event from two to three.

Season records in regional games will determine the 1-AAA baseball championship.

While Lanier's Poets have a somewhat modest 6-5 record, the Macon quintet is now being rated as a solid title contender. The Poets have a front-line manned by three players who are 6-5. And in Woodrow Fincher they have one of the state's finest offensive performers.

Columbus' Blue Devils have been saying their center Larry Whitley is 6-5. A tape measure was put on him recently and it shows he stands 6-6½. College recruiters already have their eye on the Imps' big man.



CHARLES BARKER
Third in State

Locals Place High In Ga. Science Fair

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Two Valdosta students today were cited for outstanding exhibits in the Georgia Science Fair at Athens, according to school Supt. W. G. Nunn.

Nunn said he had been informed by Mrs. Grady Massey, science teacher at VHS who is attending the science fair, that Charles Barker and Robert Murphy placed in their division of the state-wide fair.

Barker, who was first place winner for his exhibit in the Eighth District Science Fair competition, was picked as a third-place winner in the state contest, according to Nunn.

Barker's exhibit, in the field of biology, is a discourse on cancer in mice.

Murphy's science exhibit placed second in his division and he received a blue ribbon, Nunn said.

Barker, for his third-place entry, has won a two-week cruise aboard a Navy ship, Nunn added.

Banquet Honoring 'Dosta Cagers Set Here Tonight

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Basketball teams from Valdosta Senior High and Junior High will be in the spotlight at a banquet here tonight.

They will be the honored guests at an event slated for 7:30 p.m. at the VHS cafeteria. The banquet is being sponsored by the Valdosta Basketball Boosters Club.

The VHS Wildcats and Kittens and VJHS Tomcats and Kittens all had outstanding seasons and they will receive official congratulations for their accomplishments tonight.

Coaches for the four teams, Bill Kittrell, Bill Davis, Tom Moody and Joe Wilson, will also be among the honored guests.

Principal speaker for the occasion will be the University of Florida head basketball coach Norman Sloan. The Gator hoop boss, who was voted Southeastern Conference Coach of the Year following the 1960-61 season, will be making his first public appearance in Valdosta.

Individual awards to be presented are as follows:

VHS (boys and girls) — Outstanding, Most Valuable, Sportsmanship, Best Junior Varsity, Outstanding Opponent.

VJHS (boys and girls) — Outstanding.

Boosters Club president Bill Bennett will serve as master of ceremonies. Presentation of awards will be by M. M. (Pappy) Harris. Jack Gayle will introduce Sloan.

Basketball Boosters Club members may attend the banquet without additional cost. Non-members may join the club and attend the banquet. Club dues are \$5 per couple.

Rain Washes Out 'Cats' Diamond Tilt With Baker

SPECIAL TO TIMES

COLUMBUS — Valdosta's baseball Wildcats were scheduled to play a pair of games today after having a tilt slated here Friday washed out by rain.

Coach J. B. Roland's 'Cats were to meet Baker's Lions in the Region 1-AAA opener yesterday. Rain forced postponement of the tilt.

So today the Wildcats were to meet Baker at noon and then go against Columbus' Blue Devils, another regional foe, at 4 p.m.

In its only previous start this season Valdosta dropped a 5-4 decision to Moultrie in a game which did not count in the 1-AAA

VHS Netters Win Pair From Brooks

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's tennis Wildcats and Kittens chalked up victories in varsity competition with Brooks County netters here Wednesday.

Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats opened their season with a 6-0 triumph over the Brooks Tigers.

The Kittens, coached by Mrs. Herman Johnson, gained a 4-2 triumph over Brooks County's varsity girls. In a junior varsity outing, Brooks was a 3½-2½ victor. The Kittens now have a 3-2 record.

Mrs. Johnson's charges will be in the field with players from Crisp County (Cordele), Brooks and Moultrie when a one-day, girls invitational tournament is played here Saturday. The tournament will be sponsored by the Valdosta Tennis Boosters Club.

Next action for Bazemore's charges will be Monday when they go against Region 1-AAA foe Moultrie.

Results of yesterday's matches follows:

BOYS VARSITY

Singles — Bill Altman (V) beat William Sheridan (BC), 6-1, 6-0; Bradley Courtney (V) beat Wayne Lazarus (BC), 6-1, 6-0; Mike Fletcher (V) beat Tommy Forgive (BC), 6-0, 6-0.

Doubles — Andy Larson-Al Rehberg (V) beat Jack Williams-Floyd McAllister (BC), 6-1, 6-0; Tommy Davenport-Jerry Lindstrom (V) beat James McAllister-Hugh Hunter (BC), 6-1, 6-0; Butch Wiggins-Mike Fletcher (V) beat Mike Harvey-Pat Cluck (BC), 6-1, 6-0.

GIRLS VARSITY

Singles — Beverly Gunter (V) beat Nancy Bassham (BC), 7-5, 8-6; Gail Allen (BC) beat Jan Shelton (V), 3-6, 6-3, 6-2; LaFis Wasden (BC) beat Judy Larson (V), 9-7; Joy Smith (V) beat Joyce Williams (BC), 6-0.

Doubles — Nancy Simon-Barbara Knoll (V) beat Bassham-Allen (BC), 6-2; Sandy LaMontagne-Maxine Wilson (V) beat Wasden-Vickie Patten (BC), 6-3.

GIRLS JUNIOR VARSITY

Singles — Katherine Dennis (V) beat Susan Phelps (BC), 6-4; Vickie Patten (BC) beat Susan LaMontagne (V), 6-0; Lamar Myrick (BC) beat Linda Myer (V), 6-2; Betty Boyette (V) and Janet Lazarus tied 6-6.

Doubles — Lynda DeLoach-Tony DeMasco (V) beat Phelps-Williams (BC), 10-8; Myrick-Lazarus (BC) beat Linda Blaze-Virginia Anderson (V), 6-2.

Sprinters Hold Key To VHS Track Hopes

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta Wildcats were slated to open their new track campaign this afternoon with coach Bill Kittrell counting heavily on sprinters to earn points this year.

The 'Cats, the Lowndes County Golden Eagles and the Jasper (Fla.) Bulldogs were slated to take part in a meet starting at 3 p. m. at the LOHI track.

Kittrell has 30 candidates in the fold, but relatively few of them were point winners in the Region 1-AAA and state "AAA" meets last spring.

Missing this time out are hurdlers Taylor Coppage and Maurice Coan, 440 relay team members Tommy Tart, Billy Blocker and Phil Reames and discus man Allen Holt.

Coppage tied the state "AAA" high hurdle record last year. Tart, Blocker and Reames teamed with Giles Smith to set a new 1-AAA record for the 440 relay.

Smith is returning and is one of the sprinters who figures big in the 'Cats' track plans this time out. Others are Bruce Bennett, Don DeLoach and Billy Holtzclaw.

Other returnees who were point winners last season include David Henry, two mile; Danny Hendley, relays, Earl Willis, 880,

"We could have some success in the dash events," Kittrell said. "However, things don't look too good for us in regards to the distance events, hurdles and field events."

Other candidates include Frank Haddock, Tommy Dove, Bo Hall, Alex Cousart, Jimmy Burrows, Albert McLeod, Earl Willis, Ronnie Rykard, Gary Minchew, Foy Norwood, Eugene Gunter, Bill Holt, Dick Bender, Bobby Willis, Ronnie Daniels, Ken Webb, Mike Ireland, Jack Martin, Ray Davidson, Robert Goff, Pat Rykard, Barkley Woodward, and Tom Price.

Kittrell says the VHS track schedule is not complete yet. The Wildcats didn't begin practice until Monday of this week.

LOHI Cops Track Meet; Wildcats Finish 2nd

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Capturing first place in 10 of 15 events, Lowndes County's Golden Eagles triumphed in a three-team track meet here Thursday.

Coach Lamar Drew's LOHI thinclads gained top honors with 84 one-third points. Winning five events and earning a total of 61 one-sixth points. The meet, staged at the LOHI track, marked the opening of the season for all three teams.

Light showers and cool weather proved to be a handicap for all contestants.

Gary Wetherington led the way for the Eagles as he won the broad jump, the high hur-

dles and low hurdles events. Giles Smith was the pacesetter for the 'Cats. He was first in the 100 and 220 yard dash events and teamed with Bruce Bennett, Bill Holtzclaw and Danny Hendly to cop the 440 relays.

Results are as follows:

Broad jump — 1. Wetherington (L), 2. Burham (J), 3. G. Smith (V), 4. Hackle (J), D — 18' 5"

Low Hurdles — 1. Wetherington (L), 2. Burham (J), 3. Pennington (J), 4. Prine (L), T — :22.6

220 — 1. G. Smith (V), 2. Bennett (V), 3. Dawkins (L), 4. Burham (J), T — :23.2

Two Mile — 1. England (L), 2. Cater (L), 3. Henry (V), 4. Cooper (J), T — 11:56.0

880 — 1. V. Smith (L), 2. Wicker (L), 3. Pennington (J), 4. Dove (V), T — 2:15.0

Mile relay — 1. Lowndes (Hall, Greene, Sims, Dawkins), 2. Valdosta (McLeod, Willis, Bender, Hendley), 3. Lowndes (Harrell, Williams, O'Steen, Prine), T — 3:52.0

Discus — 1. Myddleton (V), 2. Holt (V), 3. Lane (L), 4. Pennington (J), D — 115'

Pole vault — 1. Massey (V), 2. V. Smith (L), 3. Williams (V), H — 10'

Shot put — 1. Lane (L), 2. Norwood (V), 3. Minchew (V), 4. Black (L), D — 41' 9"

440 relay — 1. Valdosta (Bennett, G. Smith, Holtzclaw, Hendley), 2. Lowndes (V. Smith, Wetherington, Sims, Dawkins), 3. Valdosta (Thomas, DeLoach, McLeod, Willis), 4. Jasper (Burham, Pennington, Padgett, Hackle), T — :46.1

High hurdles — 1. Wetherington (L), 2. Burham (J), 3. Prine (L), T — :16.4

High jump — 1. Newham (L), 2. Massey (V), 3. Swilley (L), 4. Griffin (V), H — 5' 5"

100 yard dash — 1. G. Smith (V), 2. V. Smith (L), 3. Bennett (V), 4. Padgett (J), T — :10.4

Mile — 1. Green (L), 2. Garrison (L), 3. Padgett (J), 4. Woodward (V), T — 5:28.0

440 — 1. Dawkins (L), 2. DeLoach (V), 3. Holtzclaw (V), 4. Cannington (L), T — :53.9

BANQUET FOR 'DOSTA CAGERS SET THURSDAY

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta Senior High and Junior High basketball teams will be honored at a banquet here Thursday night.

The banquet, to be sponsored by the Valdosta Basketball Boosters Club, is scheduled for 7:30 p. m. at the VHS cafeteria.

Plans for the event were announced by VBBC president Bill Bennett.

Principal speaker will be Norman Sloan, head basketball coach at the University of Florida.

The VHS Wildcats and Kittens and VJHS Tomcats and Kittens all had outing seasons.

Coach Bill Kittrell's Wildcats compiled a 20-11 record, won the Hahira Invitational title, finished fourth in the Region 1-AAA tourney and reached the second round in the state meet.

Coach Bill Davis' VHS Kittens won 20 of 28 games, they ruled as Region 1-AAA co-champions and finished third in the state tourney. They captured the girls championship in the Hahira Invitational.

The VJHS Tomcats, under coach Tom Moody, won top honors in the Valdosta Junior High Invitational and Barwick Junior High Invitational.

Coach Joe Wilson's VJHS Kittens were the girls division victors in the Valdosta Junior High Invitational.

All the cagers and their coaches will be honored guests at the banquet.

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Valdosta Sets Pace In Girls Net Meet

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta tennis girls walked away with four of eight places in the second annual invitational tournament staged here Saturday.

Four teams entered the tourney despite threatening weather and showers Saturday.

Besides the Valdosta entry, Cordele won two places, Brooks County one and Moultrie one.

Results of the all-girls tournament:

A Division — Singles: Nancy Basham, Brooks County, beat Bobbie Gleaton, Cordele, 8-6.

Doubles: Nancy Simon and Barbara Knoll, Valdosta, beat Lynn Glasgow and June Dorrough, Cordele, 8-3.

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B Division — Singles: Lyndall Deloach, Valdosta, beat Catherine Dennis, Valdosta, 8-2.

Doubles: Toni DiMazio and Susan La Montagne, Valdosta, beat Allegood and Conger, Moultrie, 9-7.

The tournament was sponsored by the Valdosta Tennis Boosters Club and was played on Valdosta High School courts.

'Cats Rap Imps, Bow To Baker

SPECIAL TO TIMES

COLUMBUS — Valdosta's baseball Wildcats broke even in a pair of Region 1-AAA contests here Saturday.

Coach J. B. Roland's 'Cats dropped a 15-3 decision to Baker's Lions in the opener, then rebounded for an 8-3 win over the Columbus Blue Devils in the second outing.

Valdosta's record for the season is now 1-2. The 'Cats are 1-1 in regional play.

In the opener, Baker broke a 2-2 deadlock with a 13-run outburst in the bottom of the sixth frame. The Lions collected just six hits, but had the advantage of 15 bases on balls.

While beating Columbus, the Wildcats pushed across four runs in the opening frame and were never headed after that.

Righthander Bill Myddleton turned in a three-hit hill performance and Bill Schroer helped the 'Dosta cause with a double.

Against Baker, the 'Cats did some heavy slugging. Mark Holloway and Wally Colson hit doubles. James Wetherington hit a pair of triples and Tommy Johnson clouted a three-bagger. Still, this wasn't enough for a victory.

FIRST GAME

Valdosta	ab	r	h
Johnson ss	4	0	2
Thomas 2b	2	1	0
Reaves cf	3	0	0
Colson 1b	3	0	1
Holloway p-1f	3	0	1
Schroer 3b	3	0	1
Blanton rf	2	0	0
Wetherington c	3	2	2
Bridges lf	1	0	0
Zant rf	1	0	0
Myddleton p	1	0	0

TOTALS	ab	r	h
Baker	24	3	7
Pega 3b	3	3	1
Valaska 2b	4	2	1
Entrekin c	2	1	1
Griffin 1b	4	1	1
Sipple lf	2	1	0
Cofer cf	2	1	0
Tpurgon rf	4	2	2
Benton ss	2	1	0
Reid p	1	3	0

TOTALS	ab	r	h
Valdosta	31	15	6
Baker	100	01(13)	X-15-6-0

Errors — Johnson
Double Plays — Entrekin to Pega to Griffin.

Two-Base Hits — Holloway, Colson.
Three-Base Hits — Wetherington 2.

Home Runs — Entrekin.
Stolen Bases — Thomas.

Sacrifices — Bridges (fly).
Pitchers

Pitchers	ip	h	r	bb	so
Holloway (L)	4-3	4	7	9	3
Myddleton	2-3	2	8	4	1
Reid (W)	7	7	3	1	6

SECOND GAME

Valdosta	ab	r	h
Johnson ss	3	1	0
Thomas 2b	1	1	0
Reaves cf	4	1	1
Colson 1b	3	1	1
Holloway lf	2	1	0
Schroer 3b	3	1	2
Zant rf	3	0	0
Wetherington c	3	1	1
Myddleton p	2	1	1

TOTALS	ab	r	h
Columbus	24	8	6
Dunn, lf	2	1	0
Patterson	2	1	0
Bross ss	3	0	0
Mitchell 1b	3	0	1
Robinson 2b	2	1	1
Brannen 3b	2	0	0
Best c	2	0	0
Hutchinson cf	1	0	1
Buckelen p	1	0	0
Romeo c	0	0	0

TOTALS	ab	r	h
Valdosta	31	04	0-8-6
Columbus	000	300	0-3-3

Errors — Thomas, Bross, Robinson.
Two-Base Hits — Schroer.

Stolen Bases — Myddleton.
Pitchers

Pitchers	ip	h	r	bb	so
Myddleton (W)	7	3	3	8	4
Buckelen (L)	7	5	8	4	4

Wild Pitches — Buckelen 2.
Passed Balls — Best, Romeo 2.

VHS Netters

Turn Back Region Foe

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta High boys and girls tennis teams chalked up three victories in a match here Monday with Region 1-AAA foe Moultrie.

The VHS boys, coached by Wright Bazemore, posted a 6-0 win. It was their second triumph in as many starts this year.

The VHS girls, coached by Mrs. Herman Johnson, gained a 5-2 victory in varsity competition and a 3-2 triumph in junior varsity play. Mrs. Johnson's varsity crew now has a 4-2 record in all matches and a 4-1 mark in prep competition.

Valdosta netters will return to action on Friday when they meet Albany in matches here.

Results of yesterday's matches follows:

BOYS VARSITY

Singles — Bill Altman (V) beat Don Mackenthun (M), 6-2, 6-1; Al Rehberg (V) beat Billy Mathews (M), 6-1, 6-0; Bradley Courtney (V) beat Steve Shering (M), 6-2, 6-0; Butch Wiggins (V) beat Billy Baxter (M), 6-2, 6-2.

Doubles — Mike Fletcher-Andy Larsen (V) beat Garvis McElory-Mackenthun (M), 6-1, 6-2; Tommy Davenport-Bill Lindstrom (V) beat Baxter-Danny Mayo (M), 6-0, 6-2.

GIRLS VARSITY

Singles — Barbara Knoll (V) beat Jackie Kennedy (M), 6-3, 6-2; Nancy Simon (V) beat Cassandra Davidson (M), 6-4, 7-5; Beverly Gunter (V) beat Margie Flynn (M), 6-1, 6-4; Dot Price (M) beat Jan Shelton (V), 6-3, 6-0.

Doubles — Knoll-Simon (V) beat Kennedy-Flynn (M), 6-1, 6-1; Davidson-Price (M) beat Maxine Wilson-Sandy LaMontagne (V), 6-4, 6-1; Judy Lawson-Joy Smith (V) beat Marilyn Bazemore-Linda Baker (M), 6-2, 6-2.

GIRLS JUNIOR VARSITY

Singles — Lyndal DeLoach (V) beat Kay Baxter (M), 4-6, 6-4, 7-5; Katherine Dennis (V) beat Becky Allgood (M), 6-2, 6-2; Nell Conger (M) beat Linda Myer (V), 6-2, 6-2.

Doubles — Conger-Allgood (M) beat Susan LaMontagne-Tony DiMascio (V), 6-4; Betty Boyett-Virginia Anderson (V) beat Vickie Henry-Fran Smith (M), 6-1, 2-1.

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New Lights Considered For Wildcat Stadium

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Cleveland Field, home stomping ground of Valdosta High School's Wildcats, may glow brilliantly when the football season opens next fall.

Valdosta Board of Education voted Tuesday night to obtain plans and specifications for new lights which would increase lighting by 60 to 70 per cent.

The board also voted to obtain similar information for adding restrooms to the north stands.

If carried out, these projects would be financed by Valdosta Athletic Association funds obtained by a stadium tax. This levy can be spent only for improvement of the stadium.

Dr. F. G. Eldridge, chairman of the board's building committee, reported lights located to permit future seating expansion of the stadium would cost between \$27,000 and \$30,000.

He pointed out the lights would be located so that seats could be added between the 30-yard lines and would increase the lighting by 60 to 70 per cent and would eliminate shadows and glare.

Board member Earl Mayo commented, "You might say it would be the difference in night and day."

Eddie Laws, head of the board's athletic committee, asked if the expenditure could be financed on installments over several years.

Dr. Eldridge said he believes the Athletic Association has enough funds to pay for the lights. He pointed out that installments would cost more interest than the association could get on funds in a savings account.

The project has been talked on and off several years. The board said it will obtain plans and specifications with intention of having the lights installed for this year's football season.

Board members pointed out something has to be done about the lighting soon because of pole conditions.

Dr. Eldridge said Georgia Power Company employees are becoming "right insistent" about not climbing existing poles because of their danger.

The new light poles would be metal, he said.

VHS Girls Net Team Tops Brooks

SPECIAL TO TIMES

QUITMAN — The Valdosta High girls tennis team posted a 3-2 win over Brooks County in a varsity net match here Wednesday.

In junior varsity action, Brooks was a 5-2 victor.

The VHS Kittens, who are coached by Mrs. Herman Johnson, now have a 5-2 record. One of their setbacks was to a team from Florida State University.

The Kittens are to swing back into action on Friday when they meet Region 1-AAA foe Albany. They dropped a 4-1 decision to Albany earlier in the season.

Results of yesterday's matches follows:

VARSITY

Singles — Nancy Bassham (BC) beat Maxine Wilson (V), 8-0; Beverly Gunter (V) beat Bassham (BC), 8-4; LaFis Wasden (BC) beat Sandy LaMontagne (V), 10-8.

Doubles — Nancy Simon-Barbara Knoll (V) beat Vickie Patton-Wasden (BC), 8-1; Wilson-Jan Shelton (V) beat Janet Lazarus-Lamar Myrick (C), 8-3.

JUNIOR VARSITY

Singles — Vickie Patton (BC) beat Joy Smith (V), 8-6; Myrick (BC) beat Lyndal DeLoach (V), 8-2; Katherine Dennis (V) beat Lazarus (BC), 8-5; Susan Phelps (BC) beat Betty Boyette (V), 8-4; Linda Myer (V) beat Joyce Williams (BC), 9-7.

Doubles — Phelps - Williams (BC) beat Tony DeMascio-Susan LaMontagne (V), 8-4; Phelps-Williams (BC) beat Cathy Jackson-Virginia Anderson (V), 6-1.

GREENE TO JOIN STAFF

Wilson Will Become VHS Boys Hoop Boss

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Joe Wilson is in line to become boys basketball coach at Valdosta High and Charlie Greene will join the school's athletic staff in September.

This announcement was made today by Wright Bazemore, VHS' athletic director and head football coach.

Plans to revamp the VHS coaching staff were made after Bill Kittrell resigned as the Wildcats' football line coach, boys hoop boss and track mentor. The changes will become effective at the start of the 1962-63 school year.

Wilson is currently a member of the Valdosta Junior High coaching staff. He is football coach, girls basketball coach and golf coach at VJHS. He is a native Valdostan and was a basketball and football star for the Wildcats in the early 1950's. He is a graduate of Valdosta State College.

In addition to serving as boys basketball coach, Wilson will coach the VHS' "B" football team and scout for the Wildcat varsity gridgers.

Greene, a native Valdostan, is to be graduated from Valdosta State College in June. He was a football and track star at VHS in the mid-1950's. Greene is in line to become a varsity grid assistant and track coach.

Coaching duties for other mem-

Bill Bennett — varsity football assistant with primary duty as line coach, golf coach, tennis coach; Bill Davis — varsity football assistant and girls basketball coach; J. B. Roland — varsity football assistant and baseball coach.

Davis' and Roland's coaching duties will not change. Bennett will move up to the varsity football staff after serving as "B" team mentor and scout.

Bennett has taken over as track coach for the remainder of this spring with his former duties as golf coach being handled by C. B. O'Neal.

Wilson and Greene will serve on the VHS faculty as social science teachers.



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Compete In National DE

Those attending the National DE Leadership Conference in Chicago April 26-28 will be Valdosta High School students Eva Ladrow, Marilyn Rykard, Warren Clayton and Joy Ratigan. Not pictured are Elaine Allgood and Arthur Ray Baker. The students are winners of the state conference held in Macon last March. They will compete in the speech, manuals, and the student of the year national contests.

Local Spring Sports Teams In 'High Gear'

Local high school and college spring sports teams are now operating in high gear so let's take a look at how they've done so far and consider how they might do as the season progresses.

While such prep and collegiate sports as baseball, track, tennis and golf don't have the fan interest of football and basketball, all the schools consider them vital parts of their athletic programs.

"The major objective of our varsity athletic program is to give many students with various talents a chance to participate," Valdosta High's Wright Bazemore said. "We are a relatively small school, yet in the spring we field baseball, track, golf and boys and girls tennis teams.



GLASSMAN

Drew's Lowndes County High Golden Eagles are shaping up.

The Rebels have quite a few returnees from 1961 and, in my opinion, are a much improved ball club. They have a 3-6 record so far, but they lost quite a few close ones against stiff competition. They haven't started conference play yet, but with the right kind of breaks could be a contender for the GIAC crown.

'Cats May Be Year Away

The baseball Wildcats are 1-2 after three early season outings. They also have quite a few returning regulars in the fold. However, there are few seniors on the squad and perhaps Roland's charges are still a season away.

Region 1-AAA is topheavy with strong teams this year. The 'Cats may not win the title, but I figure they will have something to say about who will cop the crown.

LOHI got started with a pair of triumphs. With Howard Daughtry giving them strength on the hill and a measure of experience at other positions, the Eagles could be in the thick of the 1-A(East) title scramble all the way.

On the track front, coach Bill Kittrell's Wildcats have strength in the dash events, but they lack the overall experience and aren't ranked too high on 1-AAA's early season form chart. But you can look for the 'Cats to lead the way in some events when the region meet is staged.

Coach Lamar Drew's LOHI thinclads have notched a pair of victories in early season meets. They had a good season in 1961 and look to be even stronger this time out. Track competition in 1-A is keen with Central (Thomasville) rated as the team to beat.

Tennis Crews Are Young

Young is the word that describes the boys and girls tennis teams representing Valdosta High. Still, coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcats and the Kittens, who are coached by Mrs. Herman Johnson, have started well. The 'Cats have a 2-0 mark. The Kittens are 4-2, not counting in the results of a match they were to play Wednesday.

Coach Gary Colson's VSC tennis Rebs had a fine 12-2 record last season. They returned relatively few experienced hands this year. They have a 2-3 record so far this season, but I think they will improve on this in short order. In Bucky Anderson they have a player who ranks with the best in the GIAC.

Last spring coach Bill Bennett's VHS linksmen won the 1-AAA golf crown and finished second in the state "AAA" tourney. They return Bunky Henry and Alvie and Bobby Steele from that fine 1961 outfit. I think the golfing Wildcats must be figured in both the 1-AAA and state championship pictures this year.

You can't predict how many titles the local teams will claim this spring, but it looks like all will enjoy a measure of success and all will be interesting to watch.

'Cats Trim Jordan, 7-5

Score Six Runs In Fourth Frame To Ice Game With Regional Foe

COLUMBUS — With the help of a six-run outburst in the fourth inning the Valdosta Wildcats posted a 7-5 baseball victory over the Columbus Red Jackets here Friday.

The victory leveled the record for coach J. B. Roland's charges off at 2-2 and boosted their mark in Region 1-AAA competition to 2-1.

Valdosta was trailing 2-1 when they got a rally going in the fourth. With the help of singles by Rick Thomas and James Wetherington, three walks and two hit batsmen they tallied six times. The 'Cats went from there to victory.

Bill Myddleton went the distance on the hill for 'Dosta, limiting the Jackets to five hits as he posted his second pitching victory of the season.

Rick Thomas paced the Wildcats' attack. He rapped a pair of singles and finished with three RBI's to his credit. Valdosta's Tommy Johnson clouted a triple, the game's only extra-base hit.

The 'Cats got just five hits, but made them count.

Valdosta is to meet Lanier (Macon) next Tuesday in the "home" opener for the baseball Wildcats.

Valdosta	ab	r	h
T. Johnson ss	3	1	1
Holloway lf	3	1	0
Schroer 3b	2	1	0
Colson 1b	3	1	0
Reaves cf	1	1	0
Myddleton p	4	0	0
Thomas 2b	4	1	2
Wetherington c	2	0	1
Bridges rf	1	1	1
Zant rf	0	0	0
TOTALS	23	7	5
Jordan	ab	r	h
Hinton 2b	3	0	0
Linton cf	3	0	0
Fulford ss	3	1	1
Horton 1b	3	2	1
Priester rf	3	1	2
Rigsby c	4	1	0
Underwood 3b	3	0	1
Deal lf	3	0	0
B. Johnson p	0	0	0
Dunn p	2	0	0
Garnto cf	1	0	0
TOTALS	28	5	5

Valdosta 001 600 0—7-5-4
Jordan 002 030 0—5-5-1

Errors — T. Johnson 2, Holloway, Thomas, Fulford.
Left on Base — Valdosta 3, Jordan 4.
Three-Base Hits — T. Johnson.
Stolen Bases — Reaves, Wetherington, Priester, Fulford.

Pitchers	ip	h	r	bb	so
Myddleton (W)	7	5	5	5	6
B. Johnson	2-3	2	1	3	1
Dunn (L)	4-3	3	6	4	5

Wild Pitches — Dunn (2).
Hit by Pitcher, By — B. Johnson (T. Johnson), Dunn (Colson).



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Reading Bangkok World Is Routine For Him

Mac McGill Learns About Thailand From its Papers and Magazines

— AIDING RELATIONS —

THAILAND IS HIS HOBBY

By MARY DICKEY

For roughly seven and a half cents a day you too can enjoy the Bangkok World Daily.

The newspaper is one of several published in the capital city of Thailand, a country located in Southeast Asia.

Mac McGill, a Valdosta High School freshman, has been taking the newspaper for the past few years and although he is only 14 years old, is already an authority on the country, its people and customs.

He became interested in the country several years ago when he was assigned to do a report on Thailand in school. At that time he was living in Jacksonville, Fla.

Since he has been living in Valdosta, with his mother at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. L. M. Autrey, his files on Thailand have become even more extensive.

But Mac doesn't restrict himself just to the literary aspects of the country.

He collects almost any and everything obtainable from the country itself.

For instance, he has in his possession an antique Buddha which dates to the 15th or 16th century and is a highly valued relic.

His stamp collection alone from that country is interesting even to the most casual observer.

Even though Mac is obtaining all the information he can on the country, he is also one of the many young people throughout the nation who are serving their country.

Mac, through corresponding with several individuals in that foreign country, is familiarizing those people with our land and customs.

"By sending them our papers, magazines and other information on the U. S., they are learning about our democracy

and all the liberties we have that so many oppressed countries lack," he explained.

"In this way the people are getting a true picture of our country and they in turn will tell others. I also send literature on the Christian religion and explain it to them. They write back in English of course even though the language of the country is Thai," young McGill added.

The paper he receives from the capital city of more than two million people is printed in English as are several of their magazines.

The Sunday edition of the newspaper is similar to those in the U. S.

Mac hopes someday to not only visit Thailand, but to teach history and language there.

'Cats Whip Tribe, 10-5

Valdosta Gets 13 Hits In Route To Fourth Straight Regional Win

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

ALBANY — Valdosta High's Wildcats shoved across five runs in the first three innings and went on from there to a 10-5 baseball victory over Albany's Indians here Friday.

The victory was the fourth in a row for coach J. B. Roland's VHS nine. It boosted the Wildcats' overall record to 4-2 and improved their Region 1-AAA chart to 4-1.

Valdosta collected a total of 13 hits with eight different players accounting for them. The only extra base hit in the bunch was a triple by Stan Reaves.

Mark Holloway went the distance on the hill for Valdosta to gain his first pitching triumph of the season. He was nicked for nine hits, but was tough in the clutches.

The Wildcats made five errors, but helped offset them with a pair of double plays. Participating in the twin-killings were Tommy Johnson, Rick Thomas and Wally Colson.

'Cats Whip take 3 lw

Valdosta	ab	r	h
Johnson ss	3	2	2
Thomas 2b	4	2	2
Schroer 3b	3	2	2
Colson 1b	3	1	1
Holloway p	4	1	2
Reaves cf	4	0	1
Bridges rf-lf	4	1	2
Wetherington c	3	1	1
Zant rf-lf	3	0	0
TOTALS	31	10	13
Albany	ab	r	h
Robinson lf	3	0	0
Rozar 2b	3	1	2
Breedin 1b	4	1	2
Fowler cf-3b	4	1	2
Beaver 3b-p	4	1	1
Gray c	3	1	1
Hudson ss	3	0	0
Mathis rf-cf	3	0	1
Jacobs p	2	0	0
Heidt rf	2	0	0
TOTALS	31	5	9

Valdosta	221	000	5-10-13-5		
Albany	010	200	2-5-9-1		
Errors	—	Johnson, Schroer 2, Zant 2, Hudson			
Double Plays	—	Johnson to Thomas to Colson (2)			
Left on Base	—	Valdosta 2, Albany 3			
Two-Base Hits	—	Beaver, Fowler			
Three-Base Hits	—	Reaves			
Sacrifices	—	Bridges (Bunt)			
Pitchers	ip	h	r	bb	so
Holloway (W)	7	9	5	3	3
Jacobs (L)	2-2-3	6	5	1	1

VHS Linksmen Chalk Up 18-0 Victory

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's golfing Wildcats rolled to an 18-0 victory over Thomasville's Bulldogs in a match here Wednesday.

The victory was the second in three starts for coach C. B. O'Neal's VHS fairway crew.

Bunky Henry set the pace for the 'Cats with a sparkling, four-under-par 68. Alvio Steele carded a 75, Bobby Steele shot a 75 and Butch Luke posted an 82 as the Wildcats offered fine team balance.

Medal scores for the Thomasville golfers were Milligan, 77; Baldwin, 81; Vann, 84, and Turner, 85.



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Stan Reaves (R) Happy After Grand-Slam Homer

Teammates Offer Congratulations In Scene At The Plate

Baseball Wildcats Thump Poets, 15-3

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

With a 14-hit attack which featured a grand-slam homer by Stan Reaves, the Valdosta Wildcats powered their way to a 15-3 baseball victory over Lanier's Poets here Tuesday.

With their third victory in a row coach J. B. Roland's 'Cats boosted their overall record to 3-2 and improved their Region 1-AAA mark to 3-1. It was the Wildcats' first baseball victory over Lanier since Valdosta moved up to Class AAA in 1958.

The setback left coach Bobby Brown's Poets from Macon with a 4-2 overall chart and a 3-1 regional mark. The loss knocked Lanier out of a tie with unbeaten Willingham for the league lead.

Valdosta packed its scoring punch into two innings, the third when the 'Cats got seven runs and the sixth when they accounted for eight.

Meanwhile VHS righthander Bill Myddleton held Lanier to

three tallies. Myddleton was nipped for nine hits, but managed to keep them scattered. He got good defensive backing to register his third pitching win of the season.

In the third inning Valdosta sent 12 men to the plate. The 'Cats mixed five singles, a double by Reaves, a pair of walks, a wild pitch and two Poet errors to score seven runs. Reaves knocked in two runs with his double. Hitting singles in the frame were Mark Holloway, James Wetherington, Tommy Johnson, Myddleton and Bud Bridges.

Valdosta "exploded" again in the sixth. Schroer, Colson, Bridges, Wetherington and Johnson

singled, Holloway rapped a two-run double and Reaves blasted one over the left field barrier with the bases full. Reaves finished the game with six RBI's to his credit. Holloway knocked in three runs.

Next action for Roland's charges will be on Friday when they meet Region 1-AAA foe Albany at Albany.

	ab	r	h	rbi
Lanier				
Adams, lf	4	1	2	0
Bonifay, 2b	2	0	0	0
Seward, rf	4	0	0	0
Thurston, 3b	3	0	1	1
Fincher, cf	2	0	0	0
Biggs, 1b	4	0	2	0
Hardy, c	3	1	1	0
Veal, ss	2	0	1	0
Jones, p	1	0	0	0
Finney, p	1	0	0	0
A-Jordan	1	0	0	0
Gerhart, p	0	0	0	0
B-Washington	1	1	1	0
C-Brady	1	0	1	1

	ab	r	h	rbi
TOTALS	29	3	9	2
Valdosta				
Johnson, ss	5	2	2	1
Holloway, lf	5	2	2	3
Schroer, 3b	3	2	1	1
Colson, 1b	3	2	1	1
Reaves, cf	4	2	3	6
Thomas, 2b	4	0	0	0
Bridges, rf	3	1	2	1
Wetherington, c	3	2	2	0
Myddleton, p	4	2	1	0

TOTALS 34 15 14 13
A—Struck out for Finney in 6th.
B—Singled for Thurston in 7th.
C—Brady singled for Fincher in 7th.
Lanier 001 100 1—3-9-4
Valdosta 007 008 x—15-14-2
Errors—Adams, Veal 2, Schroer, Myddleton, Thurston.
Double Plays—Myddleton to Thomas to Colson.
Two-Base Hits—Reaves, Holloway.
Home Runs—Reaves.
Stolen Bases—Reaves.
Sacrifices—Bonifay (Bunt).
PITCHERS ip h r bb so
Jones (L) 2 5 5 1 1
Finney 3 4 2 3 3
Gerhart 1 6 8 0 0
Myddleton (W) 7 9 3 2 2
Wild Pitches—Finney 2, Myddleton.
Hit By Pitcher, By—Myddleton (Bonifay).
Balk—Jones.
Umpires—Hidalgo, Plante.

Valdostan DE Student Of Year For Entire U.S.

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A Valdosta High School senior, who has been tops in Distributive Education at the school two years in a row, has topped them all—she is DE Student of the Year for the United States.

Marilyn Rykard, 18, was picked National DE student at the National Convention in Chicago during a closing banquet Saturday night, according to Howard Bridges, VHS principal.

High honors for Miss Rykard are nothing new. She was picked DE student of the year at VHS for the second time last fall. She went on from there to win top district and state honors which put her in the national competition.

An honor student at the high school, Miss Rykard won the national honor on her outstanding work in the Distributive Education Department.

Besides her school work, she is active in her church—the West-end Presbyterian Church, a member of the school's Beta Club, glee club and has a long list of other activities and honors to her credit.

Miss Rykard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Rykard, 1000 Smith St., plans to attend the University of Florida after graduation from VHS in June.

Arthur Baker, 18, captured second place honors in national DE speech competition. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Paulk, 907 Mystic St.



MARILYN RYKARD
Tops in Nation

VHS DE students attending the national convention were: Miss Rykard, Baker, Miss Eva Ladrow, Warren Clayton, Miss Elaine Allgood, Miss Joy Ratigan, and W. E. Glenn, DE coordinator.



Associated Press Wirephoto

DE'S BEST—VALDOSTA — Marilyn Rykard, Valdosta High School senior, has been named National Distributive Education student of the year. Marilyn, 18, was chosen at the National DE convention in Chicago during the week-end.

VHS Tennis Girls Post Two Wins

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta girls tennis team notched victories in varsity and junior varisty matches played at Moultrie on Tuesday.

The tennis Kittens, coached by Mrs. Herman Johnson, posted a 6-1 win in varsity competition and won the junior varsity test by a 4-2 margin.

With the triumph the VHS varsity crew boosted its overall record to 7-2. It has a 6-1 mark in play against other prep teams.

Mrs. Johnson's charges were to swing back into action this afternoon, meeting Waycross in a match slated to start at 3:30 p. m. at the VHS courts. Waycross has dominated the girls tennis ranks in Class AA for a number of years.

Results of yesterday's matches are as follows:

VARSITY

Singles — Beverly Gunter (V) beat Margie Flynn (M), 6-2, 6-2; Nancy Simon (V) beat Cassandra Davidson (M), 6-3, 7-5; Barbara Knoll (V) beat Dot Price (M), 8-1; Price (M) beat Maxine Wilson (V), 8-2.

Doubles — Knoll-Simon (V) beat Davidson-Price (M), 6-1, 6-0; Jan Shelton-Sandy LaMontagne (V) beat Flynn-Nell Conger (M), 8-5; Judy Lawson-Joy Smith (V) beat Flynn-Conger (M), 5-1 by default.

JUNIOR VARSITY

Singles — Lyndall DeLoach (V) beat Becky Allgood (M), 6-1, 6-2; Conger (M) beat Betty Boyette (V), 8-3; Linda Myer (V) beat Linda Baker (M), 11-9. Doubles — Allgood-Baker (M) beat Susan LaMontagne-Toni DeMascio (V), 8-5; Linda Blaze-Virginia Anderson (V) beat Dickie Hendry-Fran Smith (M), 6-0; Patty Jackson-Jennifer Schroer (V) beat Smith-Hendry (M), 6-1.

Tennis Club Votes Dennis 1962 Prexy

The Valdosta Tennis Boosters Club elected officers and made plans to sponsor two tournaments at a meeting here Tuesday night.

Woody Dennis was elected president of the club. He will assume his duties in October, with Capt. A. M. Sanders to head the organization until that time.

Other officers for 1962 are Mrs. R. D. Gunter, vice president, Hugh VanHorn, secretary and Mrs. B. F. Simon, treasurer.

The club will sponsor two girls invitational tournaments. One is slated March 2-3 with players from Valdosta, the San Jose Tennis Club of Jacksonville and Jacksonville Beach in the field. The other is set for April 7 with high school players from Valdosta, Moultrie, Cordele and Albany to be invited.

Next meeting of the club is scheduled for March 5.



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Members Of 1962 Valdosta High Girls Tennis Team

They are (L to R), 1st row, Jan Shelton, Maxine Wilson, Nancy Simon, Beverly Gunter, Barbara Knoll, Sandy LaMontagne; 2nd row, Jennifer Schroer, Betty Boyette, Patsy Jackson, Judy Lawson, Lyndal DeLoach, Katherine Dennis, Virginia Anderson; 3rd row, Linda Meyer, Susan LaMontagne, Joy Smith, Linda Blase, Toni DeMascio.

'Dosta Girls Tie Waycross In Net Match

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta and Waycross girls tennis teams battled to a 4-4 tie in a high school net match played here Wednesday.

The tie left the VHS Kittens with a 7-2-1 record. One of the Kittens' losses was to a team representing Florida State University.

Results in yesterday's match follow:

Singles — Janie Daniels (W) beat Beverly Gunter (V), 8-6, 6-0; Barbara Knoll (V) beat Mary Beth Strickland (W), 6-1, 7-5; Violet Glasscock (W) beat Nancy Simon (V), 6-1, 4-6, 6-3; Kitty Stevens (W) beat Sandy LaMontagne (V), 8-2.

Doubles — Knoll-Simon (V) beat Glasscock-Strickland, 6-2, 4-6, 6-2; Janice Craven-Judy Hall (W) beat Maxine Wilson-Judy Lawson (V), 6-1, 6-2; Jan Shelton-Joy Smith (V) beat Stevens-Ruth Green (W), 7-5, 7-5; Gunter-LaMontagne (V) beat Connie Arnold-Sherry Anderson (W), 6-0, 6-2.

Seniors of VHS Honored At Gay Carnival Dance

A gay, carnival atmosphere prevailed over the dance given Friday evening at the Country Club honoring the seniors of Valdosta High School. Theme of the dance, hosted by the juniors of VHS, was "Mardi Gras in the Bahamas".

Greeting the guests outside the doors to the club were large clowns made of brightly colored crepe paper. Life size clowns of green, yellow, and red were used in the foyer of the lounge. The guests were presented with polka-dotted masks in a variety of colors, and dance programs covered in confetti.

Clusters of red, green, and yellow balloons were suspended from the ceiling of the ballroom. Punch bowls were encircled with red lilies and lemons, and on the punch tables were

arrangements of red carnations, bells of ireland, and yellow roses in clown-head containers.

Botie Chitty's orchestra played for the dance attended by several hundred members of the high school contingent.

Officers of the Junior and Senior classes who greeted the guests were Mark Holloway, Darlene Smith, Beverly Gunter, Charles Barker, Leo Wells, Gail Bazemore, Mike Watson, and Mike Giles.

Miss Darlene Smith was chairman of the decorating event and the advisors were Mrs. Oliver Googe and Jack Wooten.

Chaperones included members of the faculty and Board of Education.



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Art Students Prepare For Sunday Show

Instructor Jack Wooten, standing left, Surveys Years's Projects

Art Class Planning Public Showing Of Year's Work Sunday Afternoon

Members of the Valdosta High School art class will conduct a public showing of their year's work Sunday at 2-5:30 p. m.

Twenty - one students will participate in the show. Jack Wooten, VHS art instructor, said the show is scheduled for the school library.

The VHS art show comes on the heels of an announcement by the Valdosta Board of Education that the full-time art program in city schools will be eliminated next year because of an economic squeeze in school coffers.

School Supt. W. G. Nunn told the board, "We've got to start somewhere." He described the art program as the "first cut."

Elimination of the program will save the system approximately \$9,000.

Wooten who teaches art at VHS, Junior High, and Central Elementary and Mrs. Hugh McElvey, who teaches art at Lelia Ellis, Central Grammar, and Sallas-Mahone will be re-assigned to new teaching duties.

However, Nunn said earlier one art class may be retained at VHS next year.

Wooten said approximately 50 students enrolled for art at the high school this year, but a faculty committee met and cut the number to 21.

Wooten said students were selected for the course on the basis of their talent in drawing.

Each student seeking the course had to submit a drawing, he said.

"We wanted to enroll all 50 students, but we did not have the facilities to handle a class that large," he said.

Wooten, a graduate of Valdosta State College who studied at the New York School of Design, said the purpose of the VHS art course this year was to expose the students to as many art mediums as possible and to give them a good background in art history.

"This is truly an art class. We don't decorate for parties or make posters. Principal Howard Bridges has been most helpful in our

work this year," he said.

The Sunday showing will include art works in charcoal, crayon, tempera, water color, plaster of Paris, and mosaics.

Wooten said the show will represent a year-long work project by the art students.

Members of the class are Al Brass, Gary Nichols, Joel Neal, Joy Ratigan, Fann Dewar, Toni Siegrist, Marshall New, Ann Carroll.

Charles Burns, Tommy Tillman, Suzi Stark, George Krug, Susan Todd, Nancy Gambill, Larry Adams, Ed Moore, Molly Huckaby, Lee Cook, Gaye Haltom, Vanne Coleman and Mary Ann Coutinho.

VHS Boys Net Team Earns Win

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's tennis Wildcats rolled to a 5-0 victory over the Moultrie Packers in a match played Wednesday at Moultrie.

It was the third victory in four starts for coach Wright Bazemore's VHS net crew.

Next start for Bazemore's charges will be in the Region 1-AAA tournament at Columbus on May 5.

Results of yesterday's match follows:

Singles — Al Rehberg (V) beat Don Mackenthun (M), 6-3, 6-4; Mike Fletcher (V) beat Bill Matthews (M), 6-1, 6-3; Butch Wiggins (V) beat Garvin McElroy (M), 6-3, 6-1.

Doubles — Andy Larsen - Bradley Courtenay (V) beat Don Mackenthun - Ray Shirley (M), 6-0, 6-4; Billy Lindstrom-Tommy Davenport (V) beat Billy Baxter-Jim Mayo (M), 6-2, 6-0.

Wildcats Finish 3rd In 5-Team Track Duel

DOUGLAS—Coffee County's Comets were first and Valdosta's Wildcats were third in a five-team track duel here Wednesday.

The Comets set the pace with 54 points. Finishing second with 47½ points was Waycross. Coach Bill Bennett's VHS crew earned 30½ points and third place. Cook (Adel) was next with 17½ points followed by Ware County (Waycross) with 15½.

Valdosta's Foy Norwood turned in his best effort of the season to win the shot put event with a toss of 43 feet ½ inch.

Complete results follow:

High Jump — 1. Dial (Way.), 2. Massey (V), 3. tie Alderman (C) and Rowell (CC), H — 5' 9"
 Shot Put — 1. Norwood (V), 2. Tanner (CC), 3. Ardoyna (Way.), 4. Hayes (C), D — 43' ½"
 Discus — 1. Bates (Way.), 2. Day (CC), 3. Griffin (C), 4. Norwood (V), D — 119' 1"
 Broad Jump — 1. Corbit (CC), 2. tie Davis (C) and Libby (Ware), 4. Massey (V), D — 17' 5"
 440 Relay — 1. Valdosta (DeLoach, Hendley, Bennett, Smith), 2. Waycross, 3. Coffee County, 4. Ware, T — :45.6
 Pole Vault — 1. Lawrance (Way.), 2. tie Souther (CC) and Vickers (CC), 4. Murphy (Way.), H — 10' 9"
 High Hurdles — 1. Cordy (Way.), 2. Bates (Way.), 3. Davis (C), 4. Harper (CC), T — :15.6
 100 — 1. tie Smith (V) and Barber (Way.), 3. tie Bennett (V) and Hurst (Way.), T — :10.7
 Mile — 1. Jernigan (CC), 2. Noles (C), 3. Harper (CC), 4. Kirkland (Ware), T — 4:50.7
 440 — 1. Johnson (CC), 2. Hough (Ware), 3. Haines (Way.), 4. Corbit (CC), T — :52.3
 Low Hurdles — 1. Gordy (Way.), 2. tie Lewis (CC) and Rountree (C), 4. Libby (Ware), T — :21.2
 220 — 1. Smith (V), 2. Barber (Way.), 3. Libby (Ware), 4. Thomas (V), T — :23.6
 Two Mile — 1. King (CC), 2. Rowell (CC), 3. Henderson (Ware), 4. Webster (Ware), T — 11:08.9
 880 — 1. White (CC), 2. Hall (C), 3. Henry (V), 4. Kildow (Ware), T — 2:05.0
 Mile Relay — 1. Coffee County, 2. Waycross, 3. Valdosta, 4. Ware, T — 3:35.0

HIGH SCHOOLERS WANT RETURN OF 'KIDS' DAY'

By MARY DICKEY

"Give us back our 'Kids' Day'... please..."

That plea was presented to the Valdosta Board of Education Monday night by a group of high school students acting as a student board of education.

They promised, "There will not be any rowdy conduct. It's a day the seniors have looked forward to for three long years..."

The members of the board listened to the plea for a return of "Kids' Day" and appointed a committee to study the proposal.

The much discussed "Kids' Day" issue was one of several items the teen-agers brought before the boards' regular monthly meeting Monday evening at the VHS lunchroom.

Each year the VHS students elect representatives from the various classes to hold offices in the annual Elks Lodge "Youth Takes Over the City for a Day" project.

The newly elected junior board was headed by the youngest member of the group, Miss Phyllis Giles, a freshman.

In the spring of 1960, the customary Senior Class Kids' Day was abolished. In its place was an hour long chapel program.

This the seniors have argued does not give the students time to present a full program. Most of the upper class honors are cited during this time.

Miss Smith's proposal asked for the revival of the Kids' Day event. She declared it was the graduating class' last fling before they got down to such serious matters as final exams and graduation.

Previously the students had enjoyed coming to school that particular day in costume, attending a lengthy chapel program, and passing out candy to underclassmen.

Some of the senior classes had been privileged to get out of school earlier for a supervised picnic.

School principal Howard Bridges who was present during the meeting showed concern over the proposal set forth by the graduating senior. It was under Bridges' recommendation that the day has been abolished.

Earlier this year the students had been told by Bridges they could have an hour-long chapel program on May 18.

School Board Chairman, S. L. Mason, city school superintendent W. G. Nunn and Bridges will attempt to work out a plan satisfactory to the students and the school administration.

Miss Smith also recommended that a senior English course be offered without any grammar. She said a test could be administered to the rising seniors and those with high grades could go into the advanced course of literature and composition.

A plan to offer a combined course of solid and plane geometry was offered by Joe Moss. Moss said college math professors encouraged this type of instruction.

More workers to keep the school clean was the proposal set forth by Mike Slack.

The youth also said mechanical drawing, and more art classes were needed at the school. He also argued that the other sports at VHS deserved to receive jackets as do the football team.

"I think any first team at school deserves a jacket. These students work as hard in their

respective sports as do the grid payers," Slack added.

Miss Diane Quattlebaum argued for a new gym and auditorium. But the 16-year-old beauty queen also said the students would settle for the present buildings to be at least remodeled.

Miss Andy Shenton agreed with Miss Quattlebaum and said the windows were "about to fall out in some of the class rooms," and that many other repairs are needed.

Miss Shenton, a cheerleader, said the VHS library was not adequately equipped with reference material.

With a quick apology to Dr. J. Ralph Thaxton, Valdosta State College president, she said the students were forced to slip in the college library to use their books.

Dr. Thaxton replied, "Glad to have you."

The board considered the proposal set forth by Miss Giles. She said the conversational French offered in the junior high

school should be taught in the seventh and eight grades instead of the sixth and seventh.

By doing this the students would not have a year without the language before they continued the course at VHS.

In other action the school board announced Dr. F. G. Eldridge, building committee chairman and Supt. Nunn would be in Atlanta May 24 for the letting of four local school building bids.

Nunn said he would take Miss Giles and the student school Supt. Lynn DiMascio on a tour of the public schools Thursday.

It was announced that board member Judge Homer C. Eberhart, would speak at the VHS graduation June 4.



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Winners In UDC Essay Contest

Awarded prizes for best essays on "Jefferson Davis and His Cabinet" at Thursday's Confederate Memorial Day program at Valdosta High School, from left: Jane Carter, Kyle Smith, Elaine Pitts, Daisy Wall, Patrice Murphy and not shown, Janis Dickerson.

War Between States Brought Unity Overshadowing Horrors, Pastor Says

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

America's Civil War is seen as a way to fight a war and end a war by the former pastor of the Park Avenue Methodist here.

The Rev. George Zorn, who is now pastor of the First Methodist Church at Tifton Thursday told a United Daughters of the Confederacy sponsored program at Valdosta High School:

"We are a committed nation. We bear in our bodies the unrealized dreams of generations of Civil War dead, as well as the dreams of those dead of both World Wars."

The Rev. Mr. Zorn, who said he attended the University of Alabama on a UDC scholarship because of his ancestry, reminded his audience, "We are at our best as an American Union" which was the dream and ideal of our forefathers.

Showing a vast knowledge of the War Between the States, the speaker cited incidences of bravery and kindnesses shown to the "other side" both by Rebels and Unions, and called this the last of the "gentlemen wars."

He said that as soon as the last shot was fired there came to be a unity in America that overshadowed all the horrors that had gone before.

"This war," the Rev. Mr. Zorn said, "is a prime example of how to fight a war and how to end a war," and told of the scene at Appomatox when Grant did not require Lee to give up his sword, nor were the sidearms or horses taken from any of the Confederates.

In closing, the Rev. Mr. Zorn urged that we "must not pull down our goal nor lower our stars. As Henry Hudson, we must press on and leave the rest to God."

The Rev. Zorn was presented by Reuben Yancey.

Preceding the introduction Rev. W. A. (Bill) Kelley pronounced the invocation. Mrs. I. E. Estes, UDC president, welcomed the audience.

chairman for the event, introduced Miss Suzanne Brown of VSC, who sang "Last Rose of Summer," accompanied by Miss Snookie Rigdon.

Following the address, Mrs. C. M. White announced the Historical Essay Contest winners of Lowndes County.

They are: fifth grade, Miss Kyle Smith of Central Elementary School, sixth grade, Miss Daisy Wall, Valdosta Jr. High School; eighth grade, a tie between Miss Janis Dickerson Clyattville School, and Miss Patrice Murphy,

St. John's School; ninth grade, Miss Jayne Carter, Lowndes County High School; twelfth grade; Miss Elaine Pitts, Valdosta High.

Winning honorable mention were: Miss Nancy Simon, sophomore, and Miss Sandra Kessler, junior, both of Valdosta High School.

Donors for the essay prize money are Mrs. Y. F. Carter, Mrs. Lowndes Shaw, Mrs. Harley Langdale and Mrs. J. T. Mathis.

Subject of the essay was "Jefferson Davis and His Cabinet."

Packers Top 'Dosta, 10-2

Wildcats Suffer 2nd Region Loss; Passmore, Tucker Blast Home Runs

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta's Wildcats today find themselves with their backs pinned to the wall in the Region 1-AAA baseball race after dropping a 10-2 decision to Moultrie's Packers here Friday.

The setback left coach J. B. Roland's 'Cats with a 4-3 overall record and a 4-2 regional mark. The Packers halted a four-game winning streak VHS had going as they boosted their own record to 2-3.

The Wildcats have two more league games to play and now trail the front-running Willingham Rams (5-0) by a game and a half. Valdosta hasn't been eliminated from the title picture, but the odds are stacked heavily against the Wildcats.

Moultrie's tall righthander Tommy Tucker, a curve-ball artist, limited the 'Cats to just four hits. The Packers rapped out eight safeties, including a three-run homer by Wayne Passmore and a two-run blast over the outer barrier by Tucker. They handed the 'Cats Billy Myddleton his first pitching loss after three straight triumphs.

The game produced a dozen errors, with each side being charged with six fielding miscues.

It was close for five innings, with Moultrie owning a slim, 3-2 lead at the start of the sixth. But the Packers scored five runs in the sixth with Passmore's poke over the fence with two mates aboard doing most of the "damage." Moultrie went on to pad its lead in the seventh.

Moultrie	ab	r	h	rbi
Kerce 2b	5	2	0	0
T. Tucker p	5	2	2	3
W. Tucker c	4	1	1	0
Cannon lf	4	1	0	1
Cobb 1b	4	1	1	1
Passmore cf	4	1	1	3
Floyd rf	4	0	2	1
Cummings ss	3	1	1	0
Lawson 3b	4	1	1	0
Taylor ss	0	0	0	0
Neims rf	0	0	0	0
Croft 1b	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	37	10	9	9
Valdosta	ab	r	h	rbi
Johnson ss	4	1	0	0
Holloway lf	2	1	0	0
Schroer 3b	4	0	0	0
Colson 1b	3	0	1	0
Reaves cf	3	0	1	1
Thomas 2b	3	0	0	0
Bridges rf	2	0	1	0
Wetherington c	3	0	0	0
Myddleton p	3	0	1	0
Robinson	1	0	0	0

TOTALS 28 2 4 1
 Moultrie .003 .005 2-10-9-6
 Valdosta .100 .010 0-2-4-6
 Errors — Thomas, Colson, Holloway, Lawson, Cobb 2, Schroer 2, W. Tucker, Taylor, T. Tucker, Myddleton
 Double Plays — Taylor to W. Tucker to Lawson
 Left on Base — Moultrie 9, Valdosta 7
 Home Runs — Passmore, T. Tucker
 Stolen Bases — Cannon
 Sacrifices — Kerce (Bunt)
 Pitchers
 T. Tucker (W) 7 4 2 1 8
 Myddleton (L) 7 9 10 3 4
 Hit By Pitcher, By — T. Tucker (Colson)
 Passed Balls — W. Tucker (2), Wetherington (2)

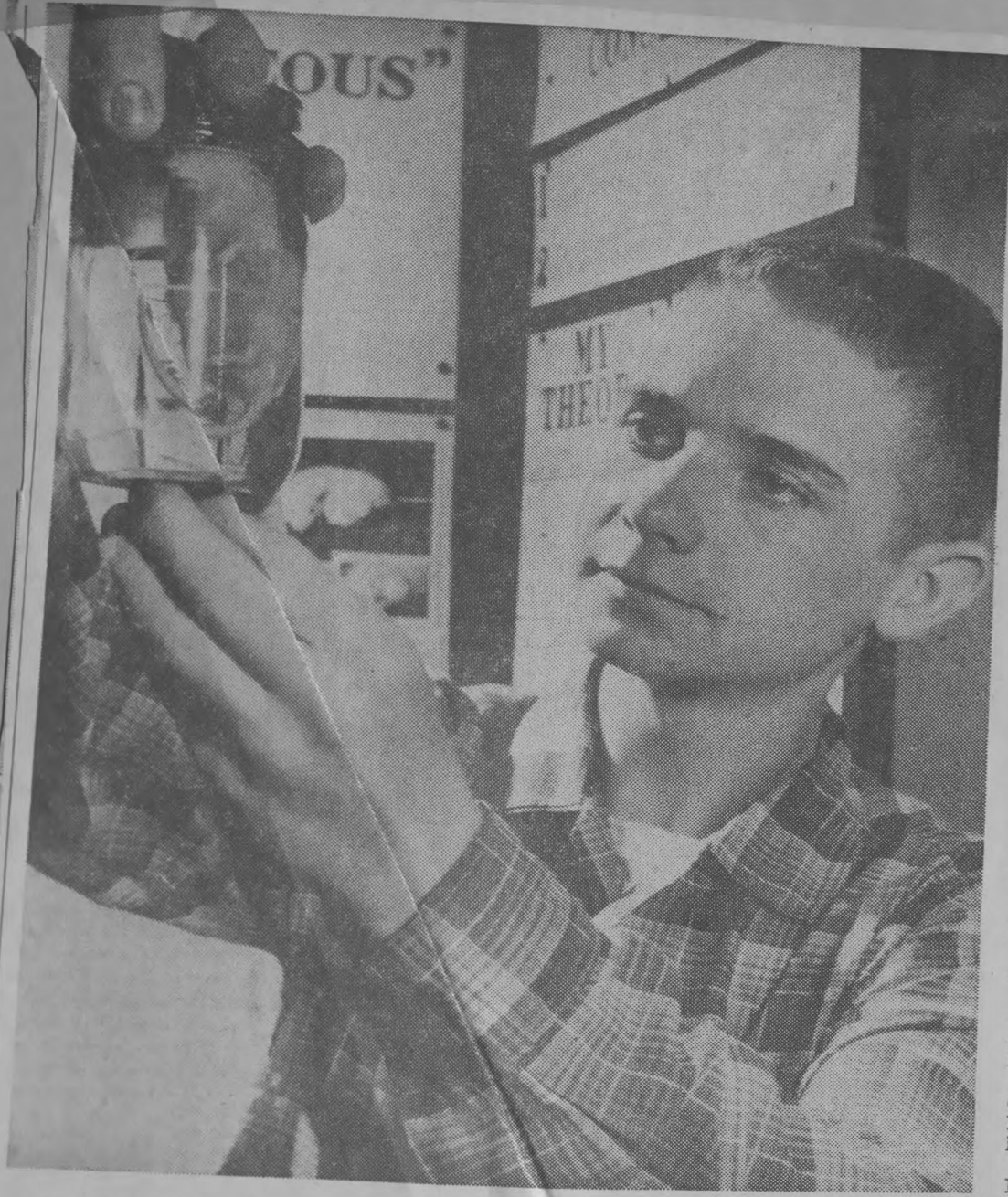


Billy Schroer's Cap Flies As He Slides Into Home
 VHS Infielder Tagged Out At Plate By Moultrie's Wayne Tucker

—AP Wirephoto

Seeks Data About Cancer

By MARY DICKEY



All Mice Are Preserved and Properly Labeled
Charles Barker is the pride of the VHS Science Department

Times Staff Photo

Looking at the little white creatures fondly, the youth spoke with authority and knowledge about his project.

The mice scampered about the cage as the boy reached for one of them.

Handling the rodent gently, he explained the female mouse had a cancerous growth and that soon he would remove it.

Charles Barker, a junior at Valdosta High School, has been working with cancerous mice for a year.

It all started with a biology project he was preparing for Mrs. Grady Massey. At that time, Charles was working on hereditary mutations in mice.

He used Dr. F. G. Eldrige's X-ray equipment on the creatures to observe the effect the radiation would have on them.

"I noticed just before I gave the mouse the treatment that she had a lump on her chin. Three days after undergoing X-ray the lump disappeared," said Charles.

Soon after the teen-ager observed a lump on his second mouse.

It was then Charles stopped his mutation experiments and started on a new line to prove the lump cancerous.

"For clarification I gave my rodents numbers instead of names. R stands for rat in this case," he explained.

Charles removed the lump from R-2 which was also a female in this case and made crude slides which he took to school and included in his project.

The next day he was at the Pineview General Hospital laboratory working with pathologist Dr. Byron Davis where better slides were made from the tissue he had saved.

"The observations in each instance were important because this is the way we determined the cancer. The dreaded disease is detected in several ways. One is by the inflammation of the cells in the early stages of cancer.

"Another way is by the tremendous size of the nucleus and the deterioration of the cytoplasm of the cell," Charles said.

In all his cases the mice that had cancer were females and were pregnant.

Charles noted that all his mice came from the same stock.

"Now that brings up several questions but I'll answer them for you in my conclusion. Let's go to R-3," he urged.

That particular mouse had a lump and her litter died the day it was born. He removed the growth after it had been on her shoulder for a month and a week.

Slides were made of the cells and Charles saw the increase in the number of cancerous cells over R-2's. The tissue was spongy yet solid.

R-4 was allowed to live from the day her lump appeared until the cancer finally killed her two months later.

Charles noted that although the tissue was spongy the lump seemed hollow inside.

"I found out there was decayed material in the growth," he added.

From the slides he noted the great masses of cells were sparsely grouped in a circular effect.

R-5 and R-6 were males and were inoculated on the tip of their tails with cancerous serum. They died shortly afterward without any growths.

All of R-7's litter died and she did not have a lump.

R-8, R-10 and R-11 were the same as R-4's situation while R-9 died a month after her lump ap-

peared. "Dr. Davis and I proved she died of cold weather and I feel certain she could have lived months but her resistance was lowered," he explained.

Altogether Charles has worked with 25 mice since he started the experiments last April.

Notebooks are filled with his theories, observations, etc. and slides are kept. He tries to let nothing go unnoticed and unanswered.

His conclusions are as follows:

1. By normal and microscopic observations the lump tissue was identified as cancer.

2. The cancer or lump seemed to appear only in female mice as no males had it.

3. The cancer seemed to be inherited because all the mice were from the same stock.

4. The time the lump appeared and their death was two months.

His theory of how the cancer might've occurred in his mice is:

1. The alpha (radiation cells) particles coming to a normal growing cell — these particles knock out the genes that control normal growth but don't effect the genes for mitosis (reproduction).

2. Therefore the cell divides into two daughter cells containing no genes for normal growth.

3. Hence the cell becomes irregular in size and shape. The nucleus increases and the cytoplasm deteriorates.

4. These two cells begin to divide and thus the beginning of the lump.

This Beta club student has won acclaim for his project.

In March he captured the grand prize at the Eighth District Science Fair in Ware County.

Earlier this month he was sent to participate in State Science Fair in Athens.

He was named third in the state event. He will receive a two-week's Navy cruise this summer.

"I have never had such a thrill as I did when I won the sweepstakes in Waycross. I had worked hard on the entry. But when I won third in Athens I couldn't believe it. There were so many outstanding displays in chemistry and physics that I didn't think I had a chance," he said.

"Through all of this Charles is still the same humble and considerate teen-ager. I have worked with him on his project, but I wish I could have taught him. He is a brilliant boy and deserves the best and I speak for the entire VHS faculty," said Mrs. Martha Freeman, science instructor.

The 16-year-old treasurer of the junior class spends his weekends and as much time as possible during the week with his research.

Yet he still finds time to be an Explorer Scout, member of the Student Council, Key Club, serve as president of the Science Club and delivers papers for the Valdosta Daily Times.

"I have been inspired by so many of the people I met in Athens and by my own instructors. I want to go into some form of medicine whether it's in the field of research or being a practitioner. Right now I'm leaning toward cancer research," Charles said.

"You see I feel that no matter how low and crude my work is right now every bit helps. Something may happen in my laboratory that has never happened before."

TITLE HOPES GONE

Willingham Rallies To Beat 'Cats, 9-6

MACON — Valdosta's Wildcats saw their Region 1-AAA baseball title hopes go down the drain as they dropped a 9-6 decision to the Willingham Rams here Tuesday.

With the triumph coach Billy Henderson's Rams boosted their regional unbeaten string to seven games. The setback left coach J. B. Roland's 'Cats with a 4-3 league chart and eliminated them from the championship picture.

Valdosta outhit Willingham, 12-8, but the Rams had the advantage of a half dozen 'Dosta fielding miscues.

The Rams mixed a pair of VHS errors with three singles, a walk and catcher's interference to score four runs in the sixth inning and come from behind to triumph.

Shortstop Tommy Johnson led off the first inning for Valdosta with a homer. The 'Cats owned leads of 1-0, 3-0, 5-3 and 5-4 at various times, but were unable to keep the Rams from closing the gaps then going out front to stay in the sixth.

Valdosta	ab	r	h
Johnson, ss	3	2	1
Holloway, lf	4	0	0
Schroer, c	4	0	1
Colson, 1b	4	2	4
Thomas, 2b	4	0	1
Bridges, rf	4	1	1
Moore, 3b	3	1	2
Reaves, cf	4	0	1
Myddleton, p	3	0	1

Willingham	ab	r	h
Gaines, rf	3	2	3
B. Bryant, p-cf	4	1	1
Bowen, 1b	3	2	1
Mote, cf-p	3	1	1
Dickens, c	3	0	0
Goodman, lf	4	0	0
Colson, 2b	3	1	1
Crosby, 3b	3	1	1
Smith, ss	1	0	0
D. Bryant	0	0	0
Payne	1	0	0
D. Bryant	1	0	0

TOTALS Valdosta 32 6 12 Willingham 28 9 8
 Valdosta 102 030 0-6-12-6
 Willingham 003 114 x-9-8-2
 Errors — Colson 2, Thomas, Reaves, Bridges, Moore, Dickens, Bowen.
 Left On Base — Valdosta 7, Willingham 6.
 Two-Base Hits — Dickens, Colson.
 Three-Base Hits — Dickens, Colson.
 Home Runs — Johnson.
 Stolen Bases — Bridges, Gaines.
 Sacrifices — Smith (Bunt).
PITCHERS ip h r bb so
 Myddleton (L) 6 8 9 3 3
 B. Bryant 4 1 3 9 6 2 7
 Mote (W) 2 2 3 0 0 3
 Wild Pitches — B. Bryant, Mote.
 Passed Balls — Dickens 5, Schroer.
 Balk — Myddleton.

'Dosta Clips Robins, 11-5

Wildcats Ice Regional Contest With Nine-Run Outburst In 6th

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta's Wildcats spotted Warner Robins a five-run lead, then rallied to lick the Demons, 11-5, in a baseball duel here Friday.

Big inning for coach J. B. Roland's 'Cats was the sixth when they slammed out eight hits, including a three-run homer by Wally Colson, to tally nine times and ice the game. A two-run homer by Stan Reaves in the fifth was another blow that helped the VHS cause.

Bill Myddleton, with two innings of sparkling relief work, gained credit for his fourth pitching triumph of the season.

He came on in the sixth with VHS trailing 5-2. The Demons had the bases loaded with none out. Myddleton got the first batsman he faced to ground into a double-play and the threat ended when the next one popped out to second. It was in the bottom of the same frame that the Wildcats got their attack in high gear.

With the triumph, Roland's charges closed out their Region 1-AAA slate with a 5-3 record in league play. It is by far the best regional baseball showing for Valdosta since it moved up to the Class AAA ranks in 1958. The 'Cats are assured of finishing no worse than third in the final standings this year. A tie for seventh was their best previous finish.

A three-run homer by Jim Dobson had helped the Demons build a 5-0 advantage. But Reaves hit one out with a mate aboard in the fifth and that cut Robins' lead to 5-2.

Then in the sixth the Wildcats went round and round. Colson singled and later came up again and homered with two teammates on base. Jimmy Robinson, Myddleton, Heywood Moore, Mark Holloway and Billy Schroer singled during the big uprising. It was Holloway's single which produced the tie-breaking run.

Colson had a perfect 4-for-4 day at the plate. Reaves finished with a total of four RBI's to his credit.

Warner Robins	ab	r	h	rbi
Long 2b	4	0	1	1
Bazemore 3b	3	0	0	0
Hammonds ss	4	0	2	0
Muha 1b	3	0	0	0
Gates rf	4	0	0	0
Timmons cf	3	1	1	0
Bowman lf	3	2	1	0
Blake c	3	1	1	0
Dobson p	4	1	1	3
TOTALS	31	5	7	4
Valdosta	ab	r	h	rbi
Johnson ss	3	0	0	0
Thomas 2b	3	1	0	0
Schroer c	4	1	1	1
Colson 1b	4	2	4	3
Robinson rf	4	1	1	0
Bridges lf	2	0	0	0
Moore 3b	2	2	2	0
Reaves cf	4	2	2	4
Holloway p-lf	3	1	1	1
Myddleton p	1	1	1	1

TOTALS Warner Robins 30 11 12 10 Valdosta 020 030 0-5-7-0
 Errors — Johnson, Holloway, Colson, Thomas, Moore
 Double Plays — Myddleton to Schroer to Colson
 Left on Base — Valdosta 3, Warner Robins 10
 Home Runs — Dobson, Reaves, Colson
PITCHERS ip h r bb so
 Holloway 5 7 5 6 4
 Myddleton (W) 2 0 0 0 3
 Dodson 6 12 11 2 5
 Umpires — Hidaigo, Plante

Henry Early Leader In 1-AAA Golf Meet

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COLUMBUS — Valdosta's Bunky Henry led the way for the 32 entrants in the Region 1-AAA golf tournament here Friday with a one-over-par 73 at the local country club.

The Wildcats maintain a third place in the team standings at the conclusion of the first 18 holes, two strokes off the pace of the

leading Albany Indians. Albany fired a four-man team total of 317.

Only four strokes separate the top four teams. Following Albany is Lanier of Macon with 318, Valdosta with 319 and host Columbus 321.

Alvie Steele also turned in a good round with a five-over-par 77, four strokes off his team-

mates' pace. Bobby Steele carded an 82 and Jimmy Rigsby finished with an 87.

The two low schools and the two low medalists will represent the region in the Georgia State AAA golf meet scheduled for Griffin next Friday.

Henry was to tee off on the final 18 holes of the tourney today at 8:55 a.m. with Ed Everett and Jimmy S a n d s rounding out the threesome.

While the golfers windup their tournament today, Region 1-AAA boys and girls tennis crowns will go on the line in two other competitions.

Valdosta will be represented in both net meets. The tennis Kittens, coach by Mrs. Herman Johnson, are defending Region 1-AAA girls champions.

Valdosta High Arts Class Shows Public Year's Work

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Members of the Valdosta High School art class conducted a public showing of their year's work Sunday and received high praise for its quality.

Approximately 500 Valdostans visited the show, which was conducted Sunday from 2 to 5:30 p. m. in the school library.

The 21 students who comprise the VHS art class participated in the show.

Jack Wooten, VHS art instructor, said the exhibits on view represented work the students had done during the past school year.

Valdostans who visited the show were pleased with the quality of the art work and the variety of art mediums used by the students.

Several Valdostans purchased the student art works for collections in their homes.

More than 100 art exhibits were on display. Wooten said the art display would remain in the VHS library a few days this week for persons who missed the Sunday show.

Art mediums used by the students included ink wash, ink over crayon, plaster of paris, tempera, pen and ink, charcoal, wax pencil, carving, mosaics of construction paper, crayon, clay, Batik printing, mobiles and block printing.

Subject matter for the exhibit was both conventional and impressionistic.

Following is a list of the 21 students whose work was exhibited in the show:

Members of the class are Al Brass, Gary Nichols, Joel Neal, Joy Ratigan, Fann Dewar, Toni Siegrist, Marshall New, Ann Carroll.

Charles Burns, Tommy Tillman, Suzi Stark, George Krug, Susan Todd, Nancy Gambill, Larry Adams, Ed Moore, Molly Huckaby, Lee Cook, Gaye Haltom, Vanne Coleman and Mary Ann Coutinho.

VHS Players Earn Golf, Net Crowns

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High owns three more sports championships today following Region 1-AAA golf and tennis tournaments at Columbus this past weekend.

VHS' Bunky Henry captured the 1-AAA individual golf crown and 'Dosta made a clean sweep in the girls tennis tourney with Beverly Gunter winning the singles crown and the sophomore duo of Barbara Knolls and Nancy Simon title victors in the doubles.

Henry, Gunter, Knolls and Simon all earned berths in state Class AAA golf and tennis tournaments to be played later this week at Griffin and Atlanta.

Coach C. B. O'Neal's VHS linksmen finished fourth in the duel for the 1-AAA team golf crown. Mrs. Herman Johnson's tennis Kittens dominated the region girls net competition for the fourth year in a row and although coach Wright Bazemore's youthful tennis 'Cats didn't win a championship or a state tourney berth, they gave a very good ac-

count of themselves.

Henry led the way in the 32-player golf field with 73-72-145. It was his second regional individual title in a row. Second on the individual list was Albany's Bill Landau with 75-73-148.

Lanier took the team title with a four-man total of 631. Columbus was second with 632. They earned state tourney berths. Albany was third with 639 followed by Valdosta, 641; Warner Robins, 667; LaGrange, 711; Baker, 729, and Moultrie, 735.

In addition to Henry, Bobby Steele, Alvie Steele and Jimmy Rigsby represented VHS in the golf test.

Alvie Steele carded 77-77-154. Bobby Steele shot 82-81-163. Rigsby carded 87-90-177.

Gunter swept to the girls singles crown by beating Nell Conger of Moultrie, 6-3, 6-0; Patty Downs of Albany, 6-1, 6-0 and Jackie Kennedy of Moultrie, 6-2, 6-0.

In their march to the doubles crown the Valdosta twosome of Knolls-Simon defeated Sue Yield-

ing-Martha Johnson of Albany, 6-3, 7-5; Margie Flynn-Kay Baxter of Moultrie, 6-0, 6-1 and Cassandra Davidson-Dot Price of Moultrie, 6-0, 6-4.

Another VHS entry in the girls singles, Sandy LaMontagne, bowed to Albany's Karen Hendrickson, 6-0, 6-2, in the first round. The Valdosta doubles team of Maxine Wilson-Jan Shelton lost to the Moultrie duo of Davidson-Price by a 6-2, 6-3 margin in the semi-finals.

On the boys tennis front, Valdosta's Mike Fletcher licked Albany's Phillip Whitman, 6-2, 6-2, in the first round of the singles then lost to Pinky Hatcher of Columbus, 6-1, 6-0, in the semi-finals. VHS' Al Rehberg reached the semis before losing to Steve McLane of Columbus, 6-1, 3-6, 7-5.

In the doubles, VHS teams made it to the quarter-finals and semi-finals.

The Valdosta team of Andy Larsen-Bert Courtenay drew a first round bye then beat Randy Scott-Pat Kirby of Baker, 0-6, 6-4, 11-9, in the second round and licked Haynes Willingham-Jimmy Simons of Lanier, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4 in the quarter-finals. The VH team was beaten by Ben Hawkins-Billy DiMaggio of Columbus, 7-5, 6-2, in the semis.

Another VHS duo, Butch Wiggins-Billy Lindstrom, went down before the Columbus team of Jimmy Hughes-Wally Culpepper, 6-3, 6-0, in the quarter-finals.

In the boys tennis finals, Hatcher licked Jerry Patt of Baker, 6-4, 6-3. In the boys doubles finals the Baker duo of Colby Moiser-Don Mixon won over the Columbus twosome of Ben Henkins-Phil D'Amato, 6-1, 6-1.

The State Class AAA boys and girls tennis tournament will be staged Thursday and Friday at Atlanta. The state "AAA" golf tournament is on tap Friday and Saturday at Griffin.

AT COLUMBUS

VHS Golf, Net Teams Face Regional Tests

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High teams will be in the running when Region 1-AAA tennis and golf championships go on the line at Columbus.

The 1-AAA team and individual golf title issues will be settled in a 36-hole, medal-play test on tap for today and Saturday at the Columbus Country Club.

Boys and girls singles and doubles crowns will be up for grabs in competition slated Saturday.

Winners and runners-up in the

1-AAA links and net tests will earn state tournament berths.

According to coach C. B. O'Neal the foursome of Bucky Henry, Bobby Steele, Alvie Steel and Jimmy Rigsby will represent the Wildcats in the golf tournament.

VHS representatives in the girls tennis tourney, according to Mrs. Herman Johnson, will be Beverly Gunter and Sandy LaMontagne, singles; and the duos of Nancy Simon-Barbara Knoll and Maxine Wilson-Jan Shelton, doubles. Joy Smith and Judy Lawson are alternates.

Coach Wright Bazemore announced Al Rehberg and Mike Fletcher will represent VHS in the boys singles while the teams of Andy Larsen-Bradley Courtenay and Butch Wiggins-Billy Lindstrom will be entered in the doubles. Tommy Davenport is an alternate.

With Henry capturing the individual crown, Valdosta swept to the 1-AAA golf championship in 1961. The Steele brothers, Alvie and Bobby, were also members of that '61 title crew. This will be Rigsby's first appearance in the region fairway outing.

In match play this season the VHS golfers have compiled a 2-1-1 record. They were fourth in the team competition in the recent Hawkinsville Invitational tourney. Henry has won the individual championship in the Athens Prep Tourney and was co-champ at Hawkinsville in tourney starts this year.

Mrs. Herman Johnson's youthful girls tennis team has a 7-3-1 record in match competition. Two of its losses were to Florida State University.

The tennis Kittens have ruled as 1-AAA champs for three years in a row. However, Knoll is the only member of the 1961 title team going back to Columbus for another championship bid.

Bazemore's boys tennis team, while young and inexperienced, compiled a 3-1 record in regular season play. The tennis Wildcats failed to play their way into the region title picture last spring, but are hoping to do better this time out.

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VHS Baseball Mentor Looks Ahead To 1963

While things didn't work out quite as well as coach J. B. Roland wanted, still he's pleased with the Valdosta Wildcats' showing in the Region 1-AAA baseball race this spring.

The 'Cats, after finishing last in the race in 1960 and tying for seventh in 1961, are assured of ending no lower than third this year. Fact is they could windup deadlocked for second.

VHS closed out regional play with a 5-3 record. Here's the way things looked this morning. Willingham had a 7-0 record and had clinched the championship. Lanier had a 5-2 mark. The Rams and Poets were to play today.

If Lanier suffers another loss it will mean the Wildcats will be tied for second in the final standings.

"We were right up there in contention until we lost to Moultrie and Willingham in successive games," Roland said. "Against Moultrie everything they did was right and everything we did was wrong. Moultrie has a good team and it just wasn't our day.

"We gave Willingham a hard push. They knew they were in a ball game. We



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lost, but we had a good go at it.

"Then we closed out regional play with a come-from-behind victory over Warner Robins. I was proud of the boys. We didn't win the region championship, but finished higher than we ever have in the 1-AAA race and we closed with a victory.

"Among our regulars this season only three are seniors. Maybe, just maybe 1963 will be our season. We're in a mighty tough baseball league. Perhaps, if we get the breaks, we can stay in the race all the way next time."

Among those who have seen front line duty for the baseball Wildcats this season are Bill Myddleton, Mark Holloway, Wally Colson, Rick Thomas, Tommy Johnson, Billy Schroer, James Wetherington, Heywood Moore, Bud Bridges, Stan Reaves, Walter Zant and Jimmy Robinson. Seniors in the group are Johnson, Wetherington and Bridges.

In the last two games the 'Cats played with only one senior in the lineup.

Golfer, Netters Cop Titles

Now let's switch over to the subject of golf and tennis.

Bunky Henry, who for several years has been recognized as one of Georgia's top young amateur golfers, added more luster to his links reputation by winning the 1-AAA individual crown for the second year in a row.

He'll be in the state "AAA" golf field at Griffin this weekend. And if lady luck smiles on him, he could win the state crown. Certainly, he must be regarded as a contender.

The Valdosta boys and girls tennis teams didn't rank too high on the pre-season form chart because they lacked experience. However, coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcats and Mrs. Herman Johnson's tennis Kittens have done very, very well.

The Kittens made a sweep of girls division championship honors in the regional tourney with Beverly Gunter winning the singles crown and the team of Barbara Knoll-Nancy Simon earning the doubles title. They will move on to the state tourney to be played Thursday and Friday in Atlanta.

The 'Cats didn't win a title or a state tourney berth, but one singles entry made it to the semi-finals in the regional tourney and another got to the quarter-finals. VHS' two doubles teams weren't eliminated until the semi-finals.

So congratulations are in order for the VHS golfers and tennis players as well as the 'Dosta diamond outfit.

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Football Wildcats Show Talent With Knife, Fork

Notes On This And That:

There's no doubt in anyone's mind that coach Wright Bazemore's Valdosta Wildcats have turned in some startling performances on football fields.

Well, the 'Cats can also do some startling things at the dinner table when steak is the main dish.

Last week some 60 VHS gridders consumed 185 pounds of steak at one sitting. The occasion was an annual supper for them. It's held each year after spring practice.

"I'll admit they put away a lot of steak," Bazemore said, "but after all, they are growing boys."



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Jimmy Robinson, a 215-pound tackle, emerged as the 'Cats' champion steak eater. He put away five big hunks of beef. However, the word is that a pair of small backs named Walter Zant and Rick Thomas ran Jimmy a close second, which proves that 'championship caliber' steak eaters come in all sizes.

Seriously, it was a most enjoyable affair, and it's such occasions as this which helps build the fine spirit that VHS athletic teams have always shown.

Griffin and Coffee Take AAA Golf Titles

By MICKEY MCCARTHY
Constitution Sports Writer

GRIFFIN—Griffin High found its municipal course here Friday a hostile stranger for the first 18 holes of the state AAA tournament.

But friendly surroundings finally prevailed in the afternoon and the cross-town people packed away the state crown by a comfortable 15 strokes.

Lanier High nosed into second with 648, while Aquinas and Avondale were deadlocked at 649. Richmond Academy headed the second division of the 18 field with 653, followed by Columbus (679), O'Keefe (691) and Dykes (726).

Wendell Coffee, a red-haired, freckle-faced freshman from Avondale, shoved the bigger names aside to win individual honors with a 150. Bunky Henry of Valdosta was second with 152, the lone man in the top five not from 4-AAA.

David Govus of Marist and Tommy Barnes Jr. of Avondale tied with 154, while Scott Wheaton of Griffin forged a 155.

Wheaton, of course, was low man for Griffin. His teammates, Frank Lindsey, Dudley Christie and Van Massey, posted 156, 160 and 162, respectively.

The amazing fact of the runaway victory was Griffin's precarious lead after the morning round. The Eagles stood 319, while Aquinas and Lanier were at 320. Richmond Academy also was in a threatening position, seven strokes off the pace.

However, the stretch run was strictly Griffin, as the Eagles manufactured a commanding lead on home soil.

Coffee played with a bad leg, causing a slight limp. His victory marked the second time in two years that a freshman has either won or tied for the top spot. Aquinas' Tom Bailey tied Barnes last year with a 150, the same winning score this year.

TEAM SCORES—Griffin 633, Lanier 648, Aquinas 649, Avondale 649, Richmond 653, Columbus 679, O'Keefe 691, Dykes 726.
INDIVIDUAL SCORES—150—Wendell Coffee (Avondale); 152—Bunky Henry (Valdosta); 154—David Govus (Marist), Tommy Barnes Jr. (Avondale); 155—Scott Wheaton (Griffin); 156—Tom Bailey (Aquinas), Tommy Fordis (Dykes), Terry Masser (O'Keefe), Frank Lindsey (Griffin); 157—Bill Landau (Albany), Steve Steinberg (Richmond); 158—Danny Gibson (Lanier); 159—Denny Kearns (Aquinas); Jack Littleton (Columbus); Chip Atkins (Richmond); 160—Ed Everett (Lanier); Dudley Christie (Griffin); 161—Charles Taylor (Aquinas), Jimmy Sands (Lanier); 162—Van Massey (Griffin); 167—Bill Babecek (Richmond); 169—John Mangrum (Avondale); Neal Wilson (Lanier); 170—Martin Bailey (Richmond); 171—Charles Clotfelter (Dykes), Jim McCoy (O'Keefe); 172—Charles Land (Columbus); 173—Joe Mulherin (Aquinas); 174—David Tyson (O'Keefe); 176—Jimmy Forthe (Avondale); 181—Jerry Smith (Columbus); 190—Steve Tarrant (O'Keefe); 196—Bill Travis (Dykes); 203—Stuart Wycoff (Dykes).



Band To Present Concert

The Valdosta High School Band, shown here in concert, will present its annual spring program here tonight at the school auditorium at 7:45 p.m. The concert is open to the public, there is no admission charge.

Tennis, Golf, Track On VHS Sports Slate

Knoll-Simon Play Way Into State Class AAA Girls Doubles Finals

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

While the team of Barbara Knoll-Nancy Simon goes for the state Class AAA girls doubles tennis championship in Atlanta today, other Valdosta High representatives are set for golf and track action at Griffin and Macon.

The Knoll-Simon duo was to meet the Richmond Academy team of Flo Winship-Jody Williams in a showdown for the "AAA" girls doubles title.

Meanwhile Bunky Henry is at Griffin for the start of the two-day 30-hole, state Class AAA golf tournament.

On Thursday coach Bill Bennett's VHS trackmen elected sprinters Gles Smith and Bruce Bennett team co-captains then headed for Macon. They will take part in a sub-region meet at Macon today. First three place finishers in each event of the sub-region test will earn berths in the 1-AAA duel to be held Saturday at Columbus.

In net action at Atlanta yesterday Knoll-Simon beat Lee Bussey-Renee Etheridge of Aquinas (Savannah), 6-4, 6-1, and turned back Connie Staten-Peggy Shelfer of Grady (Atlanta), 6-4, 6-0 to reach the state finals. The Valdosta team captured the 1-AAA doubles title at Columbus last week.

Another Valdosta entry in the day 36-hole, state Class AAA golf tourney, Beverly Gunter, bowed to Angela Oalschig of Savannah, 6-0, 6-4, in the singles competition. Gunter earned a state tourney berth by winning the 1-AAA girls singles crown.

Other final round tennis matches are as follows:

Henry Feld, Athens, vs Hugh Hailey, Marist, boys singles; Shirley Noland, Athens, vs Ethel Robertson, Richmond Academy, girls singles; Fred Birchmore - Alex Keller, Athens vs Jim O'Callahan-Buzzy McNatt, Northside, boys doubles.

Henry has won the Athens Prep title, the Region 1-AAA crown and was co-champ in the Hawkinsville Invitational in tourney starts earlier this year. He ranks as a title contender in the state links outing at Griffin.

In the sub-region track meet at Macon along with the Wildcats will be Albany, Lanier, Willingham and Warner Robins.

VALDOSTA GALS WIN DOUBLES

Athens Terminates Atlanta Streak, Gains Finals in All But One Event

Persistence and patience finally paid off for the Valdosta High tennis team here Friday in the finals of the State AAA tennis tournament.

For four consecutive years, the Wildcats have made it to the state tournament, but until this year had never had a player reach the finals.

Nancy Simon and Barbara Noland, mere sophomores, finally carried a title back to south Georgia with a 6-3, 7-5 victory over

Richmond Academy's Flo Winship and Jody Williams.

Earlier, all four Atlanta singles representatives fell victim in the first round Thursday at Bitsy Grant Tennis Center. Henry Field of Athens disposed of Jim McCullough of North Fulton, 6-3, 8-6, and Hugh Hailey of Marist won by default over the City's No. 1 seed, John Taylor of Murphy, when Taylor was ordered not to play by a doctor.

The opposite sex did no better for the City. Nan Young of Dykes, a semifinalist last year, fell before defending champ Sharon Cox of Druid Hills, 7-5, 7-5, in one of the most hotly contested matches of the day.

The City's other doubles team, Ed Davis-Curtis Latham of West Fulton, went down before Alex Keller-Fred Birchmore of Athens, 6-3, 6-0. The other girls doubles team, Connie Staten-Peggy Shelfer of Grady, won one match then was eliminated.

GIRLS' DOUBLES—Nancy Simon, Barbara Knoll (Valdosta) def. Flo Winship, Jody Williams (Richmond Academy), 6-3, 7-5.

GIRLS' SINGLES—Ethel Robertson (Richmond Academy) def. Shirley Knowland (Athens), 6-0, 6-2.

BOYS' DOUBLES—Alex Keller, Freddie Birchmore (Athens) def. Tim O'Callahan, Buz McNatt (Northside), 10-8, 1-6, 6-0.

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'Dosta's Colson Boasts 8-For-8 Hitting Streak

Notes On This And That:

A check is being made to see if perhaps Valdosta High first baseman Wally Colson has set some kind of record after collecting eight base hits in eight successive trips to the plate.

In a game against Willingham at Macon, Colson hit safely four times in as many tries. In the 'Cats' next outing, against Warner Robins here, he went four-for-four again.

There were no walks, hit batsmen, sacrifices or such in the string. He went up eight times and collected eight safeties ranging from a single to a three-run homer.

Neither Colson or VHS diamond boss J. B. Roland are claiming a record. But Region 1-AAA statistician Elwood Moyer has been

asked to see if he can determine if perhaps a regional record for the most consecutive hits might have been established.

One thing Colson definitely did was give his batting average a big boost. Latest figures from Moyer showed the VHS first baseman had an even .400 average. He ranked seventh on the region's list of top hitters. The leader was Lanier's Cecil Fowler with a .458 mark. Valdosta's team average was .260 with leader Moultrie hitting .291.

It could be that Bill Stern, well known as a football and baseball sportscaster, has a secret ambition to be a race driver. "I have always had great admiration



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for those professional athletes who drive race cars," Stern said. "To drive a speeding motor vehicle right up to the brink of disaster requires more skill and more courage than any other sport I know of."

Two VHS Students Tie For Top Honor

By MARY DICKEY

Breaking a long standing tradition, two Valdosta High School basketball captains today were named co-winners of the highest honor bestowed upon a graduating senior.

Miss Gail Bazemore and Bill Wisenbaker have been selected by the VHS faculty as the best all round seniors, City School Supt. W. G. Nunn announced during the Honors Day exercises at the school.

For the past 13 years it has been the policy of the school to select one outstanding boy or girl to receive the award. But this year the tie could not be broken. "The faculty voted three times and still the deadlock remained. Both students deserve the honor so this time we made a dual award," said Supt. Nunn as he made the presentation to the outstanding youths.

In a salute to the teen-agers Nunn had nothing but high praise for Miss Bazemore and Wisenbaker.

"They have done much to deserve the honor. They have developed their talents and will continue to do so in college," he added.

The students were chosen on the basis of their popularity, character, leadership, scholarship, extra-curricular activities, church participation, and their relationships with the faculty.

Both Miss Bazemore and Wisenbaker have been vice president of their class for two years and were active in their respective Tri-Hi-Y and Hi-Y clubs.

While Miss Bazemore served as head cheerleader this year, young Wisenbaker was involved in Key Club activities.

The co-winners were also first place winners in the annual Elks Lodge leadership contests. Miss Bazemore went on to win third place in the state and Wisenbaker was selected as the winner of the local Elks scholarship contest.

Besides being active on the student council, they also take part in church work.

Miss Bazemore is the daughter of Mrs. Latrelle Bazemore and Wisenbaker is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wisenbaker of Lake Park.

Alvie Steele was announced as valedictorian for the 1962 VHS graduating class while Lynn DiMascio will be salutatorian.

Steele's four year average is 94.67 and Miss DiMascio's scholastic record is set at 94.52.

Bill Wisenbaker was a close third with 94.31.

But the girl with the highest average of all is not eligible for the first place spot on the honor

list even though she was named Star student and was a finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Contest.

Miss Angela Wall has a record of 96.59 but has not attended VHS for four years. Transfer students may not claim the top honor position.

Other honor graduates include Cheryl Metts, 90; Mike Watson, 90; Kay Powell, 90.61; Elva Gray Johnson, 91.34; Kay Potts, 91.4; Tillie Yow, 91.54.

Sandra Babcock, 91.76; Bud Bridges, 91.79; Betty Blankenship, 91.81; Suzanne Saunders, 91.97; Elaine Pitts, 92.09; Sharon Smith, 92.21; David Atkinson, 92.68; Sherry Richards, 93.69; and Marilyn Rykard, 93.71.

On behalf of the Elks Lodge Bill West presented each of the honor grads with a plaque. Steele also received a personal gift from the lodge.

The Dosta Outlook, the school newspaper, received a Certificate of Distinction last week during the annual Georgia High School Press Association at the University of Georgia in Athens.

The newspaper was one of seven papers in their class to receive the award.

Principal Howard Bridges welcomed the guests and presented the honor graduates.

Student Council President Mike Watson gave the devotional and honor roll list.

Others taking part in the program included Coach Wright Bazemore, Mrs. Glenn Johnson, Steve Pyron, Miss Elizabeth Jones, J. P. Horn, William Glenn, and Miss Marguerite Ford.

The parents of the students who were honored were special guests.

Other citations included: D.A.R. Award: — Best Citizenship Award — Gail Bazemore, U. S. History Award — Joe Valletton.

Soil Conservation Essay: 1st place — Kathy Johansen, 2nd place — Angela Wall and 3rd place — Wayne Tyson.

Time Current Event Test: 1st place — Maywood Lawrence, 2nd place — Billy Dennis and 3rd place — Steve Dasher.

Annual High School Contest on the United Nations: 1st place — Darlene Smith, 2nd place — Beverly Gunter and 3rd place — Kathy Johansen.

Civitan Essay Contest: 1st place — Bill Wilson, 2nd place — Phil Crowe and 3rd place — Lynn DiMascio.

U.D.C. Essay Contest: Elaine Pitts Star Pupil — Angela Wall

Star Teacher — Mrs. Gladys Hogan Girls' State — American Legion Auxiliary — Beverly Gunter

McCutchen Award — Kay Powell Facit Accuracy Typing Award — Paul Sheffield

Facit Accuracy Typing Teacher Award — Mrs. Henry Hall

State Homemakers Degree — Donna Miller

Scholarship (NROTC) to Auburn University: Bill Wilson

Scholarship to Valdosta State College — by Valdosta Drug Co. Sharon Smith.

Scholarship to FSU: Jennifer Howse; Scholarship to Emory: Angela Wall;

Scholarship to Grady Hospital: Kay Holland; Certificate of Merit — National Merit Scholarship: Angela Wall.

HONOR ROLL FRESHMEN — Page Ashcom, Virginia Anderson, Mark Barger, Linda

Blank, Linda Blase, Beverly Boswell, Betsy Brown, Bob Chapman, Joe Crane Ray Davidson, Buck Davis, Joey Davis, Sue Davis, Toni DiMascio, Mary Joyce Eanes, Raleigh Elliott, Jenny Ellis, Phyllis Giles, Robert Goff, Donna Goldstein, Larry Harrell, Barry Henry, Patsy Jackson, Kay Koch, Susan LaMontagne, Charles Lawrence, Mac McGill, Peggy Masterson, Barbara Middlebrooks, Wyn Miller, Marshall New, Richard Nitem, Gene Odom, Joe Owens, Deboie Phelps, Betty Potts, Roger Rampley, Barbara Reaves, Jimmy Rigsby, David Rykard, Judy Saunders, Mary Lou Slover, Joy Smith, Randy Smith, Benita Thomas, Portia Thomas, Carolyn Wilburn, Eloise Wilkinson, Fran Woodward.

SOPHOMORES — Ann Bennett, Jo Anne Bennett, Tommy Davenport, Maxwell Drew, Kent Edwards, Alwyn Hamill, Kathryn Hansen, Maxwell Harrell, Starr Howell, Gerald Joiner, Lois Johnson, Gail Lashley, James Lineberger, Sheila McCoy, Donna Miller, Jimmy Norton, Don Reames, Edward Scriven, Nancy Simon, Mark Spieler, Carolyn Stallings, Shirley Stump, Marlene Taylor, Carole Tumlison, Emery Wilson, Maxine Wilson Libba Winston.

JUNIORS — Ellen Adair, Donald Allen, Judy Babcock, Charles Barker, Sybil Burdick, Laurice Chitwood, Steve Dasher, Harry Davis, Beverly Gunter, Eloise Hamill, Marilyn Harris, Sandra Kessler, Sandy LaMontagne, Maywood Lawrence, William Lindstrom, Sally McIntyre, Russell Martin, Susan May, Teresa Minchew, Alex Morgan, Danice Odom, Diane Quatlebaum, Susan Rodgers, Jan Shelton, Darlene Smith, Margaret Ann Smith, Nancy Smith, Rick Thomas, Joe Valletton.

State Music Festival: Superior Solos: Leila Smith, Ann Bennett and Gary Zeigler.

Excellent Solos: Alwyn Hamill and Fran Woodward.

Eighth District Honor Band — Lee Cook, Sherry Richards, Susan LaGarde, Maxwell Drew, Leila Smith, Roger Martin, Kathy Johansen, Diane Duggar, Donald Allen, Harry Davis, Bill Mathis and Billy Golden.

All State Marching Band: Roger Martin, Gary Zeigler and Teresa Minchew. All State Band: Donald Allen, Maxwell Drew and Gary Zeigler.

Most Outstanding Band Student Award — Sherry Richards; Best Rookie Award — Tommy Barr.

All State Award Glee Club — Suzanne Saunders, Elva Gray Johnson, Freddie Guest, Elaine Pitts, Larry Adams, Arthur Alexander and Sammy Dutton.

Eighth District Science Fair: 1st place — Charles Barker; 2nd place — Robert Murphy; Grand Prize — Charles Barker.

State Science Fair: One of the 1st places — Charles Barker, one of the 2nd places — Robert Murphy, 3rd Grand Prize — Charles Barker.

DISTRIBUTIVE EDUCATION National — D. E. Student of the year — Marilyn Rykard, Second place in speech contest — Arthur Baker.

State — D. E. Student of the year and essay — Marilyn Rykard; First place in speech contest — Arthur Baker; Reporter of the year — Elaine Allgood;

Second place in spelling contest — Sharon Harp; First place in activities manual — Sandra Bloodworth, Eva Ladrow and Gail Griffin; Second place in Area of Distribution Manual — Judy McMullin;

Third place in Ad Planning and Layout — Robert Cannon;

State President: Warren Clayton. State Historian: Joy Ratigan.

DCT DCT Club received Superior Rating at State Meet.

Job Project (State): 3rd place — Nancy Garvin.

Excellent rating in DCT Essay Contest — Sherman Moore.

ELKS AWARDS Youth Leadership Award — Girls: 1st place — Gail Bazemore; 2nd place — Darlene Smith; 3rd place — Beverly Gunter.

Youth Leadership Award — Boys: 1st place — Bill Wisenbaker; 2nd place — Leo Wells; 3rd place — Charles Barker.

Most Valuable Student Scholarship Award — Girls: 1st place — Angela Wall; 2nd place — Kay Powell; 3rd place — Suzanne Saunders.

State: 3rd place — Angela Wall.

Most Valuable Student Scholarship Award — Boys: 1st place — Bill Wisenbaker; 2nd place — Alvie Steele.

FOOTBALL All American — Bruce Bennett, All Southern — Bruce Bennett, All Southern Honorable Mention — Bill Myddleton, All State — Bruce Bennett, Billy Schroer and Bill Myddleton, All State Honorable Mention — Giles Smith, Foy Norwood, and Gary Minchew.

All Region — Bruce Bennett, Bill Myddleton, Gary Minchew, Giles Smith, Billy Schroer, Foy Norwood, Bill Helt and Wally Colson.

All Region Honorable Mention — Frank Wetherington, Butch Luke, Stan Reaves, Walter Zant and Kenny Ruffer.

Albany Touchdown Club Award — Bruce Bennett, Bill Schroer and Bill Myddleton.

Valdosta Touchdown Club Award — Best Back — Bruce Bennett, Best Lineman — Billy Schroer, Spirit of Valdosta — Frank Wetherington, Sportsmanship Award — Jerry Varnado, Most Improved Back — Stan Reaves, Most Improved Lineman — Skipper Prewitt, Best Blocking Back — Walter Zant, Best Blocking Lineman — Gary Minchew, Best Defen-

sive Back — Butch Luke, Best Defense Lineman — Bill Myddleton, Most Valuable — Bruce Bennett and Most Outstanding — Giles Smith.

Best Junior Varsity Back — Terry Godwin.

Best Junior Varsity Lineman — Tommy Dove.

Honors on the Field: Bruce Bennett — All American, All Southern, All State, All Region, Co-Captain of All Region team

Back of the Year for Class AAA, Captain of the All State Team, Region leading rusher and passer, New region record in total offense and 2nd in region scoring.

Giles Smith — All Region Team, New region record in pass receiving, New region record in extra points, New State record in extra points, First in region scoring, First in region punting — 2nd year in a row and 9th in region rushing, 2nd in pass interception.

Rick Thomas — 2nd in punt return, Kenny Ruffer — 3rd in punt return, Butch Luke — lead region in pass interceptions, Bill Myddleton — Co-Captain of All Region Team.

All State Football Team — Bruce Bennett, Butch Luke, Gary Minchew and Jerry Varnado.

Football Scholarships: Bruce Bennett — University of Florida, Bunky Henry — Georgia Tech and Gary Minchew — University of Florida.

BASKETBALL BOYS: Most Valuable: Al Steele; Best Sportsmanship: Bill Wisenbaker; Most Improved: Rick Thomas; Outstanding Junior Varsity: Tommy Davenport; All Region 2nd team: Al Steele; All Region Honorable Mention: Bill Wisenbaker, Leo Wells.

GIRLS: All State Guard: Diane Quatlebaum, All State Forward: Lucille Dawson, Best Sportsmanship: Gail Bazemore, Most outstanding: Betty McClenny, Most Improved: Susan Rogers, Most Improved Junior Varsity: Lyndall Deloach.

GOLF Team won 4th place in Region 1-AAA Individual medalist — Region 1-AAA: Bunky Henry

Southern Prep Invitational — Champion: Bunky Henry

Team won 4th place in Hawkinsville tournament

Hawkinsville tournament — Co-Champion: Bunky Henry.

GIRLS' TENNIS Valdosta Invitational Tennis Tournament — Senior Division: Doubles: 1st place — Barbara Knoll and Nancy Simon.

Valdosta Invitational Tennis Tournament — Junior Division: Doubles: 1st place — Toni DiMascio and Susan LaMontagne. Singles: 1st place — Lyndal DeLoach, 2nd place — Katherine Dennis.

Region 1-AAA: Doubles: 1st place — Barbara Knoll and Nancy Simon. Singles: 1st place — Beverly Gunter, San Jose Invitation Tennis Tournament: Doubles: 2nd place — Barbara Knoll, Sportsmanship — Maxine Wilson.

Senior Merit Fitness Awards in National Ratings: Linda Blase, Betty Middlebrooks and Jennifer Schroer.



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'Mayor' Powell Presents Teen-Age Program To Adult Mayor-Council

Others: Van Horn, Miss Bazemore, Watson, New, Giles and Holt

VALDOSTA TEEN-AGERS HAND THEIR ELDERS SOME ADVICE

By MARY DICKEY

A group of Valdosta teen-agers Wednesday handed their city fathers a long list of recommendations. The elders acted on one right off the bat.

The proposal of Valdosta High School students called for the repair of the recreation equipment at Drexel Park.

City Councilman Bill Warwick moved that City Manager Harold Farmer take immediate action to repair the broken equipment.

The youths, present during the entire council meeting, actually took over things for a while.

The students at VHS had elected a mayor, a city council, board of education members, and a school superintendent for their annual Elks Lodge sponsored "Youth Takes Over the City For a Day."

Mayor Maxwell Oliver invited the student mayor and council members to attend the Mayor-Council meeting at City Hall.

Miss Kay Powell, a VHS senior, presided over the meeting as youth mayor.

Serving with her were council members, Gail Bazemore, Bill Wisenbaker, Bill Holt, Mike Giles, Peter Van Horn and Beverly Gunter; city manager, Mike Watson; fire chief, Marshall New; and police chief, Susan Rodgers.

The matter of the recreation program for youth as well as

adults was the main point the students stressed to the city fathers.

"We laud Valdostans on their recent vote to increase taxes to sponsor a city-wide recreation program and hope this council will see fit to allow Farmer to hire a recreational director immediately," said Miss Powell.

"We feel that if our citizens were called upon to donate their time and talents to this program, its cost would be reduced. The swings, see-saws and merry-go-round should be repaired immediately with summer approaching because children will be using them more," she added.

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In other matters the VHS group congratulated the city officials on the achievements they have made in several areas.

Juvenile Judge Henry Brice and juvenile counselor Ken Ferrell received high praise from Miss Powell in their reduction of juvenile offenses in the city.

The students also urged a thorough tax re-evaluation program of all city property. The teen-agers were not in favor of higher taxes, however.

They argued that new industry must be brought to Valdosta to spur new businesses, bring new people, more home owners, more taxes, more payrolls and money spent in the city.

The students said they are in favor of an adequate city audi-

torium being built immediately.

"None of us feel that a city auditorium should be built if it is not the best and if it is not going to be adequate five, seven, or 10 years from now," said Miss Powell.

She recommended construction of an auditorium that could be used as a gym, a concert hall, and a cultural center.

Councilman Warwick asked the students where they think the building should be constructed.

"We thought about the Lakeland highway property that you gentlemen have also considered," replied Miss Powell.

"But we rejected the Pendleton Park area because the hospital may need that property sometime," she said, "However, we

feel certain that you councilman, who have more knowledge of the situation and more experience in the matter than we do, will find a feasible location and start to work on the project."

AT GRIFFIN

Henry Finishes 2nd In State 'AAA' Golf

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

GRIFFIN—Valdosta's Bunky Henry offset a slow start with a fast finish to gain second place on the individual list in the state Class AAA golf tournament here Friday.

The individual crown went to Avondale freshman Wendell Coffee who shot 77-73-150.

Henry opened with an 80, then matched par for a 72 over the 6,400-yard Griffin Municipal course on the final round. With his total of 152, he was just two strokes off the pace.

David Govus of Marist and Tommy Barnes Jr. of Avondale tied for third with 154 followed by Scott Wheaton of Griffin at 155.

Host Griffin captured the team title with a comfortable 15-stroke lead over the field.

Lanier (Macon) was second 648, followed by Avondale and Aquinas, 649; Richmond Academy, 653; Columbus, 679; O'Keefe, 791 and Dykes, 729.

This marked the second year in a row that Henry finished second in the duel for the individual championship.

Rams Lead Way In Sub-Region Track Meet

SPECIAL TO TIMES

MACON — Willingham's Rams swept to victory in a sub-regional track meet here Friday with a team total of 75 2/3 points.

In second place was Albany with 35 5/6, points, followed by Moultrie, 32 and Lanier, 27 1/2.

Valdosta earned six points and failed to qualify for Region 1-AAA meet slated today at Columbus.

First three place finishers in sub-region events will be in the field at Columbus.



NANCY SIMON



BARBARA KNOLL

Simon-Knoll Capture State Tennis Crown

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

The Valdosta High duo of Nancy Simon and Barbara Knoll came back from Atlanta today, bringing with them the state Class AAA girls doubles tennis championship.

The pair of very talented 15-year-old sophomores swept to the title with a 6-3, 7-5, victory over the Richmond Academy (Augusta) team of Flo Winship-Jody Williams in Friday's title round.

To reach the finals, the VHS representatives licked Lee Bussey-Rene Etheridge of Aquinas (Savannah) and Connie Staten-Peggy Shelfer of Grady (Atlanta) in first and second round action Thursday.

The state title for the Simon-Knoll team climaxed a brilliant season for them. They won 10 of 11 regular season matches, losing only to an older and more experienced team from Florida State University.

Last week they battled their way to the Region 1-AAA championship at Columbus.

This was Knoll's second trip to the state tourney. Last year she teamed with Betty McClenny to reach the semi-finals. This was Simon's first try at the state tourney level.

Other final round action was as follows:

Boys single — Henry Field, Athens, beat Hugh Hailey Marist (Atlanta), 7-5, 5-7, 8-6; boys doubles — Alex Keller-Freddie Birchmore, Athens, beat Tim O'Callahan-Buz McNatt, Northside (Atlanta), 10-8, 1-6, 6-0; girls singles — Ethel Robertson, Richmond, beat Shirley Knowland, Athens.

Art Class Need Strong For Students at VHS

When the students of Valdosta High School appeared before the Valdosta Board of Education during the "Youth Takes Over the City for a Day" affair one proposal stuck in my mind. . . .

The request for more art classes at VHS. . . . Earlier this year the board had said the public art courses would be discontinued but a class at VHS would remain. . . .

Mike Slack, the originator of the proposal stated his case adequately. . . . He said a great many of the students had not been accepted into the course this year because there was a limit as to how many instructor Jack Wooten could handle in the small art room. . . .

According to Mike the students at VHS would take more art classes if they were available to them. . . . They are not satisfied with the one class and want at least three periods of art. . . . Classes for beginners as well as the more advanced students. . . .

The board had said previously that it simply does not have funds to go along with this sort of thing. . . . But it seems to me that something should and could be worked out so VHS pupils can get the classes they want. . . .

Think of it from this angle. . . . The student who chooses to major in art in college and hasn't had the proper training in high school is going to find the first courses much more difficult to him than his classmates who were given the opportunity to develop their talents earlier. . . .

These students did not come before the board and recommend childish proposals. . . . Many the board has considered for some time. . . .

Yet they are asking for more courses being offered to them. . . .

Lowndes County High has more than one art class available to its students and they are not working in crowded conditions. . . .

The same way with the student Mayor-Council which attended the regular Council meeting Wednesday. . . .

The teen-agers asked the city recreation program be started immediately. . . .

The main thing after a director is hired is for two swimming pools to be built. . . . One for the Negroes and one for the whites. . . .

The pools should be such that they will meet the needs of the people several years from now. . . .

Someone suggested that a large pool be built so that swimming and diving meets could be held. . . . This could even open a new door for sporting events at the schools. . . .

The pool would have to be so constructed with lanes and boards that meet official regulations. . . . This would undoubtedly cost more than a regular pool but the money spent would well be worth it. . . . Not only for the publicity Valdosta would receive during such swimming and diving competitions, but the general public would get more use from the pools.

During Honors Day Wednesday at VHS one boy stood out during practically all the first part of the program. . . . Bruce Bennet received so many citations for his outstanding performance during the past football season that he had to remain standing for a great portion of the program. . . .

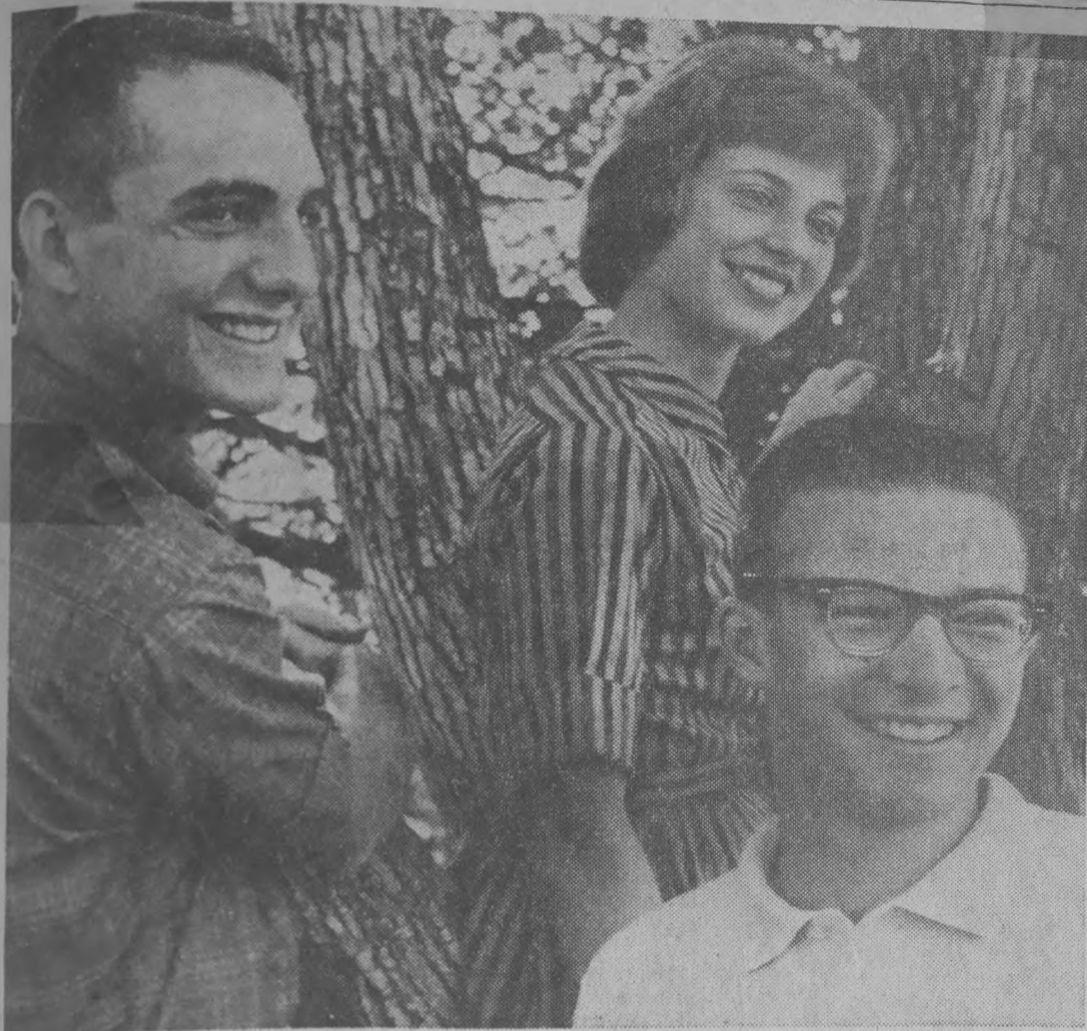
All the students so honored indeed deserve high praise. . . .

Special congratulations go to Alvie Steele, the valedictorian and Lynn DiMascio the salutatorian. . . . Other honor grads include David Atkinson, Angela Wall, Sherry Richards, Cheryl Metts, Mike Watson, Kay Powell, Elva Gray Johnson, Kay Potts, Tillie Yow, Sandra Babcock, Bud Bridges, Betty Blankenship, Suzanne Saunders, Elaine Pitts, Sharon Smith, Marilyn Rykard, and Bill Wisenbaker. . . .

Joe Vallotton and Gail Bazemore were the winners of the DAR awards. . . . Joe captured the history medal while Gail was given the best citizenship medal. . . .

Leo Wells pulled the most unique "goof" of the season during the annual VHS Junior-Senior banquet. . . . Leo who is senior class president was to introduce the speaker, former governor M. E. Thompson. . . . Leo referred to Thompson as Herman Talmadge and everybody immediately roared with laughter. . . .

Naturally this unnerved Leo a little so it was perfectly in order for the class president to turn and say, "And now I give you the honorable former governor of our state of Georgia, Herman Talmadge." . . .



High VHS Honors Day Winners

Bill Wisenbaker, Gail Bazemore and Joe Vallotton Took Top Awards

Three Top Students Cop High VHS Award

By MARY DICKEY

The best all round senior award and the DAR awards are regarded by many people as the highest honors a Valdosta High School student may receive.

Gail Bazemore captured both. She and Bill Wisenbaker were named co-winners of the best all round senior distinction and the pretty blonde was the winner of the Best Citizenship DAR medal.

Taking first place honors in the history field, Joe Vallotton, a junior, was the DAR history winner.

Vallotton, an honor roll student, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rouse Vallotton, 2102 White Oak Dr.

He is consistently on the honor roll and was cited for this achievement also during the Honors Day exercises.

The 16-year-old junior is an avid bridge player. Like anything else he undertakes, Joe plays well.

Although his parents have been playing the game for years, Joe and his partner defeat the Vallottons almost every time now. Joe has been mastering the game for the past two years.

From this point on Joe will be found at the Vallottons house at Twin Lakes skiing, swimming and cruising around the lake in his boat.

He also enjoys tennis, golf and reading.

Miss Bazemore said she can't play golf but she does go in for basketball and more basketball.

She was co-captain of the team this year and head of the Wildcat cheerleader squad.

Gail plans to attend Valdosta State College after graduation.

She and Bill were the winners of the annual Elks Leadership contests. Gail went on to win third in the state.

Bill placed first in the Elks Scholarship event. He was co-captain of the basketball team and will enter Georgia Tech this fall.

Both have been officers of their class and members of the student council.

If some members of your family do not drink all the milk they should (for good nutrition), each day, serve cream soups often. You can provide 1/2 to 1 cup milk per serving in these soups.



—Times Staff Photos

Students Take Over City Schools for A Day

Miss DiMasico and Miss Giles Discuss Problems in Education

VHS STUDENTS COME UP WITH SOUND IDEAS

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

A girl mayor! A female running the schools, and a freshman for the chairman of the school board?

Sounds unreal doesn't it. But during this week's annual "Youth Takes Over the City for a Day" program Kay Powell was elected mayor, Lynn DiMasico was named city school superintendent and young Phyllis Giles was made chairman of the school board.

The Valdosta Elks Lodge has been sponsoring the youth program at VHS since 1957 and this is the first time the females have literally run the "city."

A girl was even appointed to the position of police chief by the mock Mayor-Council.

The youth Mayor-Council attended a meeting of the city fathers, presented recommendations and got part of what they asked for.

The swing, see-saws, and merry-go-rounds will be in working condition the city promised after officials heard of their poor shape.

The youths also requested more parking space be available in the downtown area and that obstacles which hinder a driver's view around corners be removed.

They suggested that more books be bought for the library.

"This public library has an inadequate supply of science, history, and English research books. Students requesting science or biological references are sent to the children's department," argued Miss Powell.

"These one- and-two syllable word books are hardly adequate for a high schooler's project," she added.

During the Board of Education meeting, the junior members requested that their "Kids' Day" be given back to them.

Committee was appointed to work out a program that will satisfy the VHS faculty and the seniors.

They also put in a request for a new gym and auditorium.

Andy Shenton told the board the windows were about to fall out in some parts of the building.

She also said some of the rooms need to be enlarged, the building needs painting and the library needs more books.

She suggested a point system be initiated at the school that would limit the students to the number of offices they could hold.

"By doing this more students would take an interest in the school and the same people would not be responsible for everything," she said.

Miss DiMasico and Miss Giles went on a tour of the city schools with school Supt. W. G. Nunn.

Other student officials included, Councilmen Bill Holt, Gail Bazemore, Peter Van Horn, Bill Wisenbaker, Beverly Gunter and Mike Giles; city manager Mike Watson; Fire Chief Marshall New; Police Chief Susan Rodgers; school board members, Diane Quattlebaum, Sharon Smith, Joe Miss and Mike Slack.

VISIT TIMES

Valdosta High Students Take Look At Publishing

EDITOR'S NOTE — Eight Valdosta High School students took a look at publishing a daily newspaper Saturday. Here's an account of their visit by Miss Sandra Kessler, the students' mock managing editor.

BY SANDRA KESSLER

All the Associated Press honors copped recently by the Valdosta Daily Times staff members were definitely not one of those things! Everybody is really "on the ball." These facts were discov-

ered by members of the Valdosta High School journalism class who visited the Valdosta Daily Times office Saturday.

Seven representatives of Mrs. Harry Wolinski's class joined the staff for an on-the-scene account of a normal day of publishing a city paper. Those attending were Judy Babcock, Sandra Kessler, Sandy La Montagne, Sally McIntyre, Danice Odom, Andy Shenton, Darlene Smith, and Barbara Wagner. Expeditions ranging from a visit to the Moody Air Force Base's Armed Forces Day program to covering a moonshine whiskey case, were among the activities experienced by the visitors.

Each student was assigned to a regular Times staff member with whom she stayed the entire day. In this manner, the nature of the various positions was vividly and authentically revealed to the class members.

More than 40 employees make up the complete office staff. When most Valdostans are having their breakfast, the majority of Valdosta Times newsmen are ready for their first coffee break. The publishing section is buzzing with busy journalists, beating their stories out on ringing typewriters, while other workers are making the routine phone calls in an effort to find news.

Meanwhile, in the printing room, the robot running linotypes roar continually preparing the copy. Unique code systems on these linotype machines are used to quicken the process of publishing a daily newspaper.

To many of the students, the most fascinating feature is the huge printing press. It can print up to 64 pages, although the average Valdosta paper has from 16 to 18 pages.

After the paper was "put to bed" (press), Sandy LaMontagne commented, "It was a blast ... a great day ... a down to earth lab for our classroom instruction. I now resolve to read the entire paper, ads and all..."

So ... The juvenile journalists are saturated in printer's ink... that ink which seeps into a person's skin and soul. It spreads like the measles and stays like the itch. At this stage the potential newsmen have popped into a high fever of enthusiasm!!

Spring Sports Teams Harvest More Honors

Just as was predicted last week, local and area schools are still harvesting spring sports honors.

Baseball, golf, tennis and track all enter the picture.

Elwood Moyer, Region 1-AAA's official record keeper, has



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released the final standings for that loop's baseball race. As it had already been noted, Willingham's Rams clinched the title with an 8-0 regional mark and will represent 1-AAA in the state Class AAA playoffs at Thomaston.

Deadlocked for second were coach J. B. Roland's Valdosta High Wildcats and the Lanier (Macon) Poets with 5-3 region charts. Congratulations are in order for the 'Cats who jumped all the way from a tie for seventh in 1961 to a deadlock for second place this time out.

Of course Noel George's Lowndes County Golden Eagles, the Region 1-A(East) champs, are set and ready

to battle for the 1-A crown as soon as the 1-A(West) title issue is finished.

Bunky Henry upheld Valdosta High's reputation for turning out topnotch golfers by first winning the Region 1-AAA individual crown and then finishing second in the state "AAA" test at Griffin.

Brought Back Championships

Valdosta High and Lowndes County tennis players brought back state championships from Macon and Atlanta.

First, LOHI's Tommy Anderson triumphed in the Class A boys singles competition at Macon. Anderson, Valdosta's current city junior singles titleholder, knocked off the defending state "A" champ during his title sweep. To gain a state tourney berth, Anderson won the 1-A crown.

The Valdosta High sophomore duo of Nancy Simon-Barbara Knoll came back from Atlanta with the state Class AAA girls doubles championship. Earlier they had won the top honors in the 1-AAA tourney. Another VHS netter, Beverly Gunter, took the 1-AAA girls singles crown.

Coach Wright Bazemore's youthful VHS boys tennis crew gave a very good account of itself in the 1-AAA outing. The 'Cats had two entries in the singles competition and two-teams in the doubles bracket. All except one made it to the semi-finals before bowing out.

'Book' Hasn't Closed Yet

Believe me, winning a state tennis championship is quite an accomplishment for a pair of 15-year-old sophomores like Simon and Knoll.

Barbara has been playing only two years and got started in a tennis program sponsored each year by the Valdosta Jayettes. Nancy has been playing less than two years. Mrs. Johnson "discovered" Nancy's tennis ability during physical education class activities and encouraged her to try out for the varsity team.

Beverly, the 1-AAA singles champ, has been playing tennis just three years and this was her first important tennis triumph.

Just shows that when the right kind of program is offered and the youngsters receive the proper coaching, they can improve rapidly.

Later this week the state Class AAA, AA and A state track meets will be held. Lowndes, Brooks, Cook and Berrien are area schools that will be represented in the duels at Athens. So the spring sports "book" isn't ready to be closed just yet.

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Times Sports Editor

Local Dentists Helping Valdosta Football Cause

Notes On This And That:

A group of local dentists are making sure that Valdosta High's football Wildcats have the right kind of mouthpieces to protect their teeth during the 1962 season.

The rules now make it mandatory that prep gridders wear mouthpieces. A group of local dentists are making the teeth protectors for the Wildcats without charge.

"I'd certainly like to thank all the dentists who are helping with the project," VHS grid boss Wright Bazemore said. "They are seeing to it that our boys will have the right type mouthpieces and ones that fit them properly. The dentists are certainly doing a great service for our football cause."

Bazemore has also erected what he calls the "Wildcats Sports Bulletin Board" in his office. "I'd like to cover the board with pictures of VHS teams and athletes," the mentor said. "I'm interested in pictures of our boys and girls participating in all types of sports. If anyone has any pictures they'd like to contribute for our bulletin board I'd appreciate hearing from them."



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Beaches Being Invaded By Students In College

The beaches this weekend in Florida are being invaded by the various sororities and fraternities at Valdosta State College.

And they will be met by groups from the University of Georgia, Emory University, Georgia Tech, the University of Alabama, Auburn University, Florida State University, University of North Carolina and scads of other colleges and universities.



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Wearing the sweatshirts of their respective Greek organizations the co-eds will be easily identified. However, many of the girls will shed their sorority emblems for the shirts of their favorite fraternities.

The Valdosta groups left Friday for Daytona Beach, Fernandina Beach and Panama City Beach. . . They will come back to town sometime Sunday or Monday in time for class. . .

The local junior Cotillion clubs are all going to Daytona Beach, Fla., again this year. . . They will start their annual pilgrimage to the city of sand and saltwater around June 6.

Naturally as many graduating seniors as possible who are members of the clubs will attend the houseparty. . . Kay Autrey and Kathy Wainer are in school at Ashley Hall in Charleston, S. C., but the Sigma Delta Theta group is looking for the girls to be in Daytona with them. . .

The members of the Delta Chi Delta and Theta Tau Omega clubs have more seniors than ever attending the graduation blast at Daytona. Not but four or five seniors will be going from the Sigma Delta group. . .

The latest kick around town among the high school group that is, is taking your lunch to a movie. . . King of Kings was showing this week and the three-hour feature proved too much for the teen-agers. On the way to the flick, the boys stopped at a local drive-in restaurant and took chicken-in-the-box to the show. . .

The senior class at VHS held a dance at the 4-H camp at Twin Lakes Friday evening with a local combo providing the entertainment. Actually the boys of the graduating class threw the blast.

During this time the Key Club sweetheart was announced. Those nominated for the honor were Andy Shenton, Lucille Dawson, Teresa Minchew, Barbara Talley and Cheryl Pelfry.

The dance brought to a climax the Senior Day activities at the school. The Board of Education and principal Howard Bridges gave the seniors their "Day" back this year. After chapel exercises they were dismissed to go on a picnic at Twin Lakes.

I want to encourage all the young people in this area to attend the opera that will be presented at 8:15 p. m. Monday at the Ritz theater. Madame Butterfly is being brought to Valdosta by the Junior Service League and is being presented by the Florida State University Opera Group.

Tickets for the outstanding performance are \$2.50 and \$1.75. The brilliant opera is the story of betrayal of the charming Geisha girl by the young egotistical American Naval officer.

That sparkling college co-ed who moons over the poetry books or stares enraptured at the movie screen isn't as romantically inclined as her male counterpart.

According to a survey completed by Denison University sociologist Dr. Dwight Dean, freshmen men were found to be more emotional than freshmen women.

The study also concluded that college men and women whose father's occupation was relatively low in status were found to be more romantically inclined than those whose fathers had a high-status occupation.

VHS Principal Howard Bridges and the entire school faculty theoretically have been given Chubby Checker's newest album, "Let's Twist Again," by the graduating class.

At the end of the reading of the traditional "Last Will and Testament" of the seniors, the group left the administration with that thought. The school officials still have the "No Twist" ban on for all school-sponsored functions.

DAY OUT OF SCHOOL

LOHI Stages Kid's Day; Senior Day Held At VHS

By MARY DICKEY

Armed with water pistols, bubble gum, suckers, jump ropes, and pogo sticks, the senior class at Lowndes County High School celebrated its annual Kid's Day Friday.

The students at Valdosta High School had Kid's Day also but in somewhat of a different manner. It was Senior Day at VHS.

The LOHI students dressed the part, but the seniors at VHS came to school in their usual attire.

Shortly after 10 a. m., however, not a senior was to be found at either of the schools.

The entire graduating classes of both schools were dismissed after their chapel programs for an all-day picnic at Twin Lakes.

The LOHI students came to school in short dresses and play suits similar to those worn in early childhood and played the role of children to the hilt.

They fought it out with cap guns and water pistols and jumped rope.

The underclassmen were given suckers, bubble gum and all sorts of candy for enduring the frolics of the seniors.

Taking part in the program at LOHI were Jane Tomlinson, Ann Pilkington, Larry Dennis, Pat Hall, Carol Lineberger, Mary Alice Grizzell, Georgia Swink.

Pat Lott, Sandy DeLoache, Tommy Adams, Edgar Greene, and Freddie McLeod.

The senior class presented the school with a portrait of principal Tom Wall.

VHS seniors presented their assembly program and left for Twin Lakes.

Leo Wells, class president, was in charge of the exercises.

The Who's Who for the senior class was announced and included:

Mr. and Miss Senior Class, Leo Wells, Sharon Smith and Gail Bazemore.

Most popular, Leo Wells, and Sharon Smith.

Best Personality, Leo Wells and Sally Coleman.

Most Versatile, Bill Wisenbaker and Gail Bazemore.

Prettiest and best-looking, Bruce Bennett, Bunky Henry and Donna Spratlin.

Best figure and physique, Bruce Bennett and Jeannie Hoyle.

Most Talented, Peter Van Horn and Jennifer Howse.

Most Courteous, Leo Wells and Becky Odum.

Neatest, Bunky Henry and Louise Lightsey.

Most Intellectual, Alvie Steele and Angela Wall.

Most Likely to Succeed, Alvie

Steele, Bill Wisenbaker, and Angela Wall.

Most Dependable, Bill Wisenbaker and Kay Powell.

Most Athletic, Bruce Bennett and Gail Bazemore.

Friendliest, Leo Wells and Cara Jo Sikes.

Wittiest, Peter Van Horn and Jennifer Howse.

Cutest Couple, Bunky Henry and Gerrie Amon.

Other taking part in the program were Kay Powell, Bill Wisenbaker, Becky Odum, Cheryl Metts, Sharon Smith.

Sally Coleman, Peter Van Horn, Jeannie Hoyle, Mike Watson, Mary Jo Bracewell, Randy DeCourdes, Lelia Smith, David Atkinson, Cara Jo Sikes and Gerrie Amon.

The class song was written by Elva Gray Johnson, Mariane Stump, and Elaine Pitts.

Jennifer Howse wrote the class poem.

'Dosta High In State Meets For Golfing, Tennis, Track

The Class AAA state tennis tournament was scheduled to get underway today and extend through tomorrow afternoon in Atlanta. Valdosta High School is well represented in both the boys' and girls' brackets.

In the girls' singles, Sandra Bennett and Jackie Jenkins, champion and runnerup in the singles event of Region 1-AAA, will represent this region. Valdosta girls in the doubles are Ruth Welch and Margaret Van Horn, runnersup in the 1-AAA

doubles tennis.

For the boys, both VHS doubles teams will be playing. One team, the champion team from this region, is composed of Jimmy Dewar and Johnny Wright. That pair defeated another VHS doubles team, composed of Johnny Bunch and Jimmy Bolen. None of the singles players in the boys' division made it to the state.

Other spring sports, with state championships at stake, find Valdosta High, second in the region in golf, playing at Griffin tomorrow and Saturday. The golf team, defending AAA champs, is composed of Jack Oliver, Bunky Henry, Bobby Vallotton and Butch Luke.

The VHS track team will also be competing tomorrow and Saturday at Athens. Nine of 10 members entered in the region track meet placed first, second or third in their events, making them eligible for the state meet.

Competing for VHS will be the 440-yard relay team, composed of Giles Smith, Kenny Ruffer, Butch Kirkland and Ike Boyette; David Coppage, in the 120-yard high hurdles and 180-yard low hurdles; Butch Kirkland, in the 220-yard dash and broad jump; the mile relay team, consisting of Kirkland, Roger Douglas, Gerald Deloach and Boyette; Bobby Jones in the 880-yard run and Frank King in the shot put.

The track team placed second in the state, also. With the Valdosta High tennis boys winning two doubles matches and losing two, they came out with a 2-2 score.

Valdosta High's girls' tennis team was the only one to capture first place in the region's spring sports, with both singles and one doubles team representing VHS, giving the Kittens a 3-1 score in the region.

Mrs. Herman Johnson coaches the Valdosta High girls, Wright Bazemore is the boys' tennis coach, Bill Bennett tutors the golfers and Bill Kittrell is the track coach.



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Semi-Finalists Face Keen Competition At Leadership Conference

The semi-finalists in Job Interview, Sales Demonstration, Speech, and D. E. Student-of-the-Year are busy preparing now for the run-offs at the State Leadership Conference in Macon. One semi-final meeting was held in Columbus, January 27, and one in Augusta, February 10. Winning in Columbus were: D. E. Student of the Year, Marilyn Rykard, Valdosta High; and Jimmy South, Jordan Vocational High, Columbus; Sales Demonstration, Jimmy Byington, Hughes Vocational High, Macon; and Virginia Brooks, Pepperell High, Lindale; Job Interview, Donald Edmondson, Jordan Vocational High, Columbus, and Dottie Hamilton, Moultrie High; Speech Arthur Baker, Valdosta

High, and Mary Johnston, Rome High (East & West). Winning in Augusta were: D. E. Student of the Year, Linda Spruell, O'Keefe High, Atlanta; and Jimmy Armour, Russell High, East Point; Sales Demonstration, Jo Anne Stansell, Smith High, Atlanta; and Gary Randall, Russell High, East Point; Job Interview, Marie Chapman, Smith High, Atlanta; and Angela Frias, O'Keefe High, Atlanta; Speech, Jerrie Buckley, Glennville High; and Thomas Busby, Campbell High, Fairburn.

These students will compete in Macon at the State Leadership Conference. First, second, and third place winners will be selected at that time.



Columbus Semi-finalists: front row, 1. to r., Mary Johnston, Rome; Moultrie; Donald Edmondson, Columbus; and Jimmy Byington, Lindale; back row, 1. to r., Arthur Baker, Valdosta; Dottie Hamilton, Valdosta; Virginia Brooks, Pepperell High, Lindale; and Jimmy South, Jordan Vocational High, Columbus; Marilyn Rykard, Valdosta.

From Your President . . .



Johnny NeSmith

Everyone is slowly recuperating from the Christmas holidays and the mid-term exams. After this is all over you have the challenging job of the Semi-final contests meetings.

And then comes the BIG event of the year for everyone in D. E., The Annual State Leadership Conference. In Macon, at the conference, the semi-finalists of the following contests: D. E. Student of the Year, Business Speaking, Sales Demonstration, and Job Interview will compete for first, second, and third places in each contest. The lucky winner will win the chance to go to the National Conference in Chicago.

Those who attended the National Conference last year will tell you what a wonderful time they had. Just a little piece of advice for those of you who will attend the conference this year, make sure you have your money in travelers checks!

I have certainly enjoyed being your President this year and hope everyone will strive to make the 1961-62 conference not only a memorable one, but an outstanding period in the history of Ga. DECA.

Two lumber wholesalers who were partners in a very successful business spent most of their time trying to outdo each other. If one bought a \$150 suit, the other bought one costing \$200. If one got a Cadillac, the other got a Rolls Royce.

One day Sam had a phone put in his car. Bill was furious when he heard about it and immediately had one installed in his car. Then he called Sam's car and said nonchalantly. "This is Bill. I'm phoning you from my car."

"Would you mind holding on for a minute," said Sam, "I've got a call on another extension."

State Officers Column

Ricky Murray
Vice-President

What's DECA? What does it stand for? What do you do? These are a few of the questions you often hear when you mention DECA. When people that are unfamiliar with our organization ask questions, let's answer them loudly and clearly, and tell everyone about DECA. We know it's a good organization, we all know how it can help students develop into leaders, but how can we let the public know?

Every year more people learn about our school and club work. They learn through our articles in the newspaper, radio, and television, and other club promotion projects. But perhaps the best way to "sell" our organization is by "talking it up".

Be proud of the organization yourself, for in many schools D.E. is rated as the top club or among the top clubs on the campus. You know it's true that the people who actually know what we are trying to do prize us for our efforts.

Know what D. E. is, it's history and future. Know how the program works, who can take it, and what you study in the D. E. class period.

Wear your D. E. pin always and thus cause more people to ask what it stands for. Then be ready with an answer that will give them a clear picture of the work we do.

Mary Ruth Bennett
Vice-President, Entertainment

As you know each one of us all want social intelligence or we might say we want to develop socially. Being D. E. students we have many opportunities to develop social intelligence. Our club meetings in our home chapters, our social events, our committee work, and our projects all help us to develop socially as well as serve other purposes. At the Director's Meeting and Officer's Training Conference, at the State Leadership Conference in March, the semi-final contests meetings in February and the National Leadership Conference in April, we learn so many things that increase our social intelligence. Hotel manners, travel manners, formal and informal manners may all be learned and improved at our D. E. meetings.

As we gain in social intelligence we also gain a feeling of security and poise that comes only when we know the correct and appropriate thing to do. We might then say the more social intelligence we gain, the more we feel safe socially. So we all introduce ourselves when we see each other. We eat together, work together, talk and walk together. We are then developing social intelligence, and we have a lot of fun doing it.

Comments From Your State Club Advisor

Many people have written in asking for a copy of the poem used to close the Officers' Training Conference Leadership session in Augusta last October. Here it is:

The Guy in the Glass

When you get what you want in your struggle for help
And the world makes you King for a day,
Then go to the mirror and look at yourself
And see what that guy has to say.

For it isn't your father or mother or wife
Who judgment upon you must pass;
The fellow whose verdict counts most in your life
Is the guy staring back from the glass.

He's the fellow to please — never mind all the rest —
For he's with you clear through to the end.
And you've passed your most dangerous and difficult test
If the guy in the glass is your friend.

You may be like Jack Homer and chisel a plum
And think you're a wonderful guy;
But the guy in the glass says you're only a bum
If you can't look him straight in the eye.

You may fool the whole world down the pathway of years
And get pats on the back as you pass
But your final reward will be headaches and tears
If you've cheated the guy in the glass.

— Arthur Unknown

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HONOR ROLL

All the news we reported by deadline

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Elaine Strickland, Odum High, Odum
Elaine Fears, Hughes D. E. Club, Macon
Rita Jones, Russel High, East Point

At the side of the highway a sweet young thing stood helplessly staring at a very, very flat tire on her car. A passerby stopped and gallantly offered his assistance, which was accepted. After the tire was changed she cautioned her rescuer: "Please let the jack down easy. My husband is asleep in the back seat."

D. E. BROTHERS At Hughes Macon

This year the Distributive Education Club of Dudley M. Hughes, Macon, enrolled the brothers of two outstanding D. E. students. The D. E. brothers are Roger Corbin, Billy Corbin's brother; and Billy Barfield, Jackie Barfield's brother. Both boys are first year D.E. students.

While in the Distributive Education Club, Roger's brother, Billy Corbin, won several awards. Local D. E. Student of the Year; the \$500 Kroger Scholarship; an award for his advertising lay-out; and an expense paid trip to the Leadership Conference in Kansas City. Billy is now attending Middle Georgia College, Cochran, Georgia, and works at Sears, Roebuck & Co. on the weekends.

Roger Corbin seems to be following in his brother's footsteps. Roger is an eleventh grader. He works at the Colonial Store in the Wesleyan Shopping Center.

While in the D. E. Club, Billy Barfield's sister, Jackie, won several awards: local D. E. Student of the Year; first place in the job interview contest; and an expense paid trip to the National Leadership Conference in Tocoma, Washington. Jackie held a position at Sears, Roebuck and Co. while in the D. E. Club. She is now happily married.

Billy Barfield is an eleventh grader. He works at Timber Lake Groceries, and is doing well following in his sister's footsteps.

A Waterfall

by Reba Jernigan
Campbell High

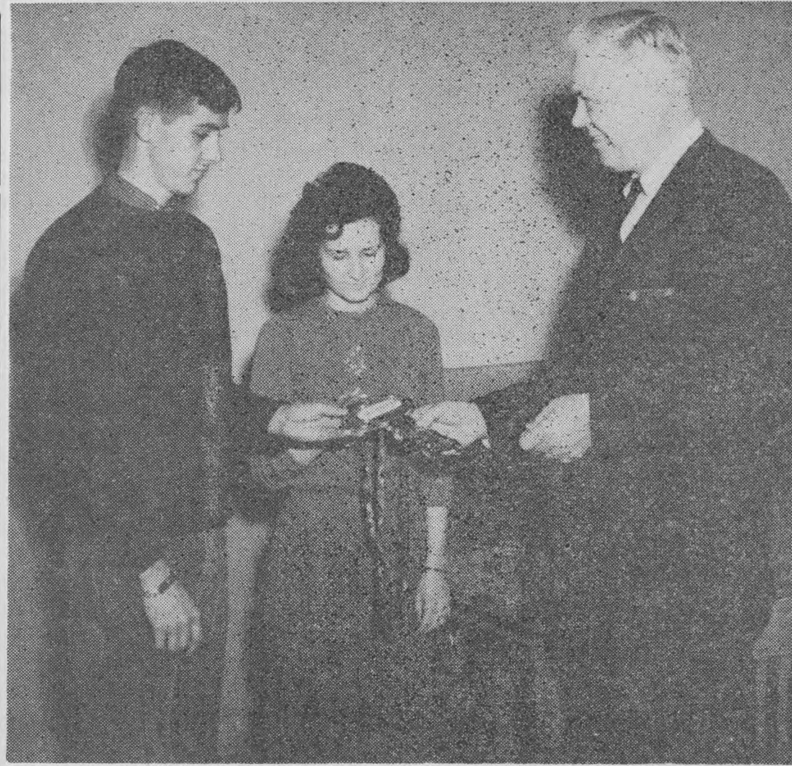
Oh, gushing fountain, vibrant,
splashing,
How loud your sound, falling and
crashing.

Do you belong to yon tranquil
pool,
Where waters dwell, crystal clear,
calm and cool?

Amidst such calmness, gushing
fountain,
Why do you issue from this
mountain?

For you are the substance of that
pool,
Where waters dwell, crystal clear,
calm and cool.

(The above poem received honorable mention in a contest sponsored by the library at Campbell High School.)



President Billy Rowe and Student of Year, Marilyn Rykard, accept the key to the city from Mayor Maxwell Oliver in recognition of D. E. Day in Valdosta.

D. E. DAY IN 'DOSTA

Valdosta DECA members have been busily engaged in final preparations for the annual D. E. Days which began Wednesday, February 7 and ended with the 14th annual Employer-Employee Banquet, February 9.

The advertising committees worked hard to prepare pictures for the newspaper spread, window displays for each D. E. store, radio, telephone and loud speaker promotion.

W. T. Grant was once again the center of attraction with students operating the store for one day and offering customers free refreshments and a real D. E. welcome. Other D. E. stores offered specials for the days.

Top salesman, which is selected by customer votes, received an expense paid trip to the state conference to be held in Macon, Georgia, in March.

Don't Sell Me Things

by Brenda Tankerslay
Academy of Richmond Co., D. E. Club

Don't sell me perfume.
Sell me a fragrance that clings for hours and doesn't fade.
Don't sell me bubble bath.
Sell me a relaxing, soothing, luxury-laden bath with bubbles.
Don't sell me shampoo.
Sell me soft, silky, and lovely hair.
Don't sell me hair spray.
Sell me hair grooming that will give me springler longer-lasting curls and fragrant hair.
Don't sell me lipstick.
Sell me a striking accent of color to harmonize with each costume I wear.
Don't sell me hand lotion.
Sell me soft and smooth hands.
Don't sell me deodorant.
Sell me an effective ingredient that swiftly checks perspiration.
Don't sell me after shave lotion.
Sell me a cool astringent that heals razor nicks and conditions the skin.
Don't sell me thing.
Sell me a choice of fine quality cosmetics and aids to good grooming.

A PENNY FOR YOUR THOUGHT

Crisp County D.E.'ers
elect — urgh —

Do ugly boys make the best husbands? The Crisp County Distributive Education Club believe so. In a spirit of true scientific research, club members tried to determine the ugliest boy in high school, for the benefit of Crisp High "Husband Hunters". The winning candidate, Charles Haynie, represented the Future Farmers of America, with D. E. Johnny Faircloth running a poor third.

Coronation ceremonies were held Monday morning, January 8, in the high school cafetorium when Haynie was crowned King Ugly by D. E. President Wayne Greene. Fanfares and drumrolls, provided by Jimmy Palmour, Lenoise Roberts, Roger Ruff, and DeWitt Beeland, greeted each contestant's name throughout the program.

Franklin James, introduced as fifth vice-president of the non-existence Metropolitan Bank of Crisp County, was escorted to the stage by armed guards, Dan Sullivan and Billy Wayne Priest. There he presented the winner's name enclosed in an envelope and certified it as unknown to any other person. Judges, Barbara Jackson, Susu Williams, and Harriet Gibbs, after extensive examination of the contestants, confirmed the decision of the student body.

Haynie announced Lynn Glas-cow as his Queen while John Barrow played **There He Is, Mr. America**. The blue robes trimmed in ermine, which began life as bedspreads, were draped over the shoulders of the royal couple. The king was presented a mirror to look at himself, a brush, and Promade Hair Grease. A camera with a lifetime supply of film was also presented with a cash prize.

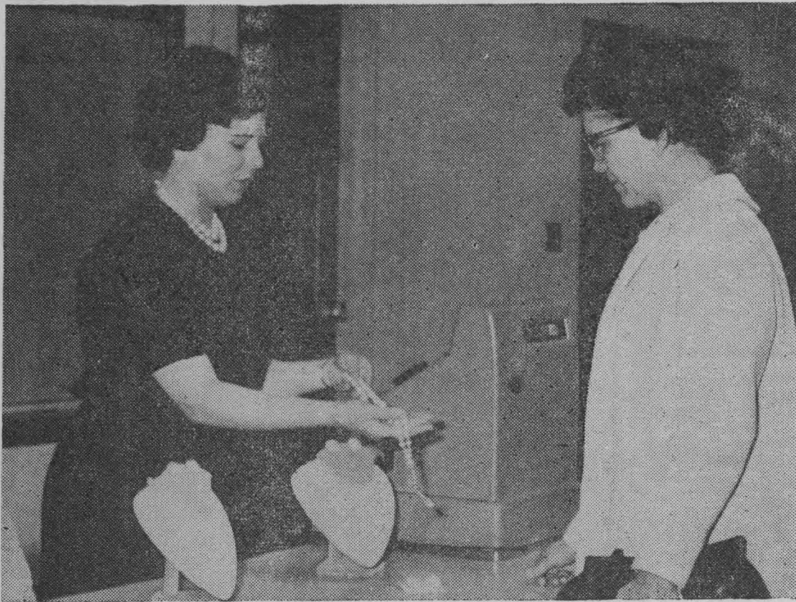
(Note: That Future Farmer wasn't ugly at all, but at a penny a vote, who cares?)

Lawhorne Represents D. E. at Fair Meeting

Distributive Education Clubs of Georgia were represented Friday, February 2, 1962, at a Youth Dinner, at the Atlanta Athletic Club, given by Mrs. Billie Tovell, who is in charge of the Youth Program at the Southeastern Fair.

Mr. William Brady, State Club Advisor, and Dianne Lawhorne, State Vice-President, in charge of public relations, from Campbell High School, both attended.

Plans were made for the 1962 Youth Program at the Fair.



Darlene Thompson, Albany High D. E. Club, sells to Mrs. Jim McGee from Sears, Roebuck & Co., Columbus, in Sales Demonstration Contest at Jordan Vocation High School in Columbus.

My Supervisor's Success Story

by Judy Mickle
Jordan Vocational High

The story of my supervisor is the story of a woman who has indeed made a success in the world of selling. Miss Ethel Slayton has been manager of the book department of the White company for 31 years. She also does the buying for that department.

Miss Slayton is from a small town and she says she likes small towns because everyone is acquainted and all very friendly. She attended college at Georgia Teacher's College in Athens, and at one time, taught school.

She has been in many states and likes to travel. Of all the places she has been, she likes Texas best.

As for her job she says she has the choicest job in all Columbus. She finds that she also has the choicest customers. "Anyone who has a real liking for books", she says, "sets them apart, because they have an inner glow that others do not have. This reflects in their personality."

She is strict disciplinarian on the job. She wants the girls in her department to meet the customer and make them welcome. She dislikes bullies and gum-chewers, while on the job. Any kind of shrimp dish in an unusual place will suit her fine.

As for hobbies, she collects cups and saucers and avidly follows Georgia Tech. She speaks of the guards and tackles as though they were personal friends. Variety

What DE Means to Me

by Sandra Fields
Russell High

When a person thinks of D. E. usually his first thought is getting out of school early and being able to make some extra spending money; however, this is not the true meaning of D. E.

D. E. teaches one a great deal of responsibility: the ability to hold down a job in the business world and to keep up scholastic work at the same time.

Through D. E. one learns how to be mature enough to get along with all kinds of people. To follow directions and be able to accept criticism as well as praise are valuable lessons learned.

D. E. aids a great many students in choosing a career and prepares them for their future after graduation.

D. E. is an excellent way to improve one's personality. It enables one to have a more worthy outlook on life and affords a great opportunity for building character.

shows such as The College Bowl, and To Tell The Truth make up her favorite TV entertainment. Her favorite flower is the Orchid. She says she can pin on an orchid and feel as glamorous as any glamor girl.

She is easy to work with, and has helped the Distributive Education Club at Jordan by employing its members. Hers is truly a story of success.

Success Stories

Sam Mitchell
Sears, Roebuck & Co
Rome, Georgia

Sam Marshall Mitchell, a D. E. graduate scholarship winner, wins again.

Sam entered the D. E. program in 1955 when he was employed at a Rome supermarket.

In 1956, when Sam was president of the local club, Rome won the D. E. Club of the year award and he was named "D.E." Student of the Year".

In 1956 Sam graduated from the D. E. program at Rome Senior High School and became sales representative for a local merchandising company. Being an excellent speaker, he was asked to address the Employer-Employee Banquet of 1957. Because of his speaking ability at this banquet, he was awarded a 4 year college and work scholarship by Sears, Roebuck & Co. in Rome.

"Because of my training in the D. E. program," Sam said, "I qualified for the work-study management training program with Sears."

In 1961 Sam graduated from Shorter College and went to work full time with Sears. He has recently been made a department manager at Sears in Rome.

When asked, "What one thing helped you most to become a success in the business?"

Cody - DeVane - Exume - Bloodworth

All Valdosta Alumni

Former Georgia DECA officers are making a place for themselves a recent check of Dosta DECA members indicates. Bud Cody, 56' past First Vice-President is now in Witcha Falls, Texas, as Boys Club program director. Bud will be dealing with some 6000 boys in his new job after receiving his degree from Valdosta State College this past quarter.

Charles DeVane, '57 DECA Public Relations officer continues on the air waves of WYAX, Waycross as program director and advertising manager.

Geri Exum, parliamentarian '59, is continuing her work at Mar-Lee Shop where she is in charge of display and assistant buyer.

LeRoy Bloodworth, president '60, and his newly acquired December D. E. bride continues to work at his former training station of Gaston Studio.

The "Grow With Greene," Norman, that is, president '59 and DECA Vice-President of the Southern Region continues to grow at C. C. Varndoe Company and Valdosta State College.

Ricky Love
First National Bank
Atlanta, Georgia

"Ricky Love is the youngest person to attain supervisory status with this bank," stated Dan Muse, Manager of Central Proof Department of the First National Bank in Atlanta, Georgia. Mr. Muse continued, "Ricky is one of the most outstanding young men to come under my supervision — ability, plus drive, plus affability make him a good worker and supervisor He is always ready to do that little bit more than is expected and required."

Ricky Love, a 1960 Distributive Education graduate of Campbell High School in Fairburn, Georgia, started his DE career June, 1958, when he was employed at Cope-land's Service Station, Fairburn, Georgia. After a year's work there Ricky decided he would profit by entering the field of finance. He, however, was of the opinion that the training in public relations and basic fundamentals in selling which he received while working at the service station greatly benefited him in his chosen career at the bank.

At the beginning of Ricky's senior year he started as a second year DE worker at the First National Bank. Upon graduation, he was changed to full-time work. He now supervises sixteen employees and four part-time DE students in the proof department. Ricky decisively states, "If you want a good insight into the field of distribution, while still in high school you'd be extremely wise to participate in the Distributive Education program."

WVLD - WGOV - WJEM - WJIX

— No Typing Mistake!

— Valdosta D. E. Trainees

DECA students everywhere! Turn your radio dial almost anywhere in the Valdosta vicinity and you will probably hear such familiar voices as Butch Luke's WVLD; Gene Greneker's WGOV; and Rennie Hardy's WJEM. These disc jockeys spin everything from 'rock-and-roll to the twist'. Whatever your choice, do what everybody's doing, swing with Dosta DECA disc jockeys.

Butch Luke and Gene Greneker are active first year D. E. students. Rennie Hardy, alumnus, is a former state D. E. officer as well as local president.

For students in the Waycross area, Charles DeVane, Dosta D. E. alumnus, is program director and spins some fine tunes over WJIX radio.

ALL AROUND "D. E." STATE

Once in a while — not too often perhaps — we take a moment to realize how well off we are. At Thanksgiving the **O'Keefe D. E.** students did just this and in turn decided to help a family not so fortunate as they are.

A complete Thanksgiving dinner menu was prepared. Christine Digby decorated a basket in the traditional Thanksgiving colors. Then each club member began to pack the basket with items listed on the menu. By delivering date the meal was complete from turkey and cranberries to cake and ambrosia.

Four club members were privileged to deliver the basket to the family selected. The report they gave upon return left us all with a feeling of warmth and saying thanks for the advantages our country affords us.

Helping a family have a nice Thanksgiving was the November project of the **Jordan Club**, Columbus. Club members contributed cans of food to make up a gift box.

The project committee, John David Gray (chairman), Carol Lang, and Jimmy South presented the box to a family here in Columbus. John David gave a report on the success of the project.

The **Odum DE** students enjoyed their annual Christmas Party, which was held in the Georgia "Power Reddy Room" in December.

Christmas games, Christmas carols, and refreshments were enjoyed by everyone.

One of the main high lights of the party was the presentation of a "love gift" to Mrs. Ina Carter, coordinator.

The **Odum DE** members, who have been studying "Salesmanship" had an opportunity to find out how good they were on direct "door-to-door" selling. The club put on a campaign to sell ballpoint pens, made up with the school emblem and the basketball schedule. Each member of the class participated and a prize was awarded to the "outstanding salesperson", who sold the most pens.

The **Odum and Jesup DE** students entertained their employers and wives, at their annual banquet in January.

Many leading educators and business men attended. Over ninety-five percent of the DE students were present.

The climax of the program was the presentation of the emblem ceremony.

County superintendent, principals and civic leaders complimented the DE program in their "greetings" to the group.

The decorations featured the club colors in yellow and blue candles, runners on the tables, and flower arrangements. Bright gold letters in shape of a crescent back of the speaker's table told the theme of the banquet, "Developing Future Leaders in Marketing and Distribution".

Welcome, Mr. Boss, welcome. These were the greetings expressed by Angela Frias of O'Keefe, Atlanta, at the Annual-Fulton County Employer-Employee Banquet. Rich's Magnolia Room was the rendezvous for the 250 Atlanta employers, school officials and students who gathered for this year's event. Employers look forward to being feted by their high school employees who use this method of expressing appreciation for the fine training received on their jobs.

Guest speaker for his occasion was Dr. D. P. McGeachy III, pastor of the Gainesville First Presbyterian Church.

Schools in Atlanta and Fulton County participating were **Campbell, O'Keefe, Russell, and Smith High**.

"I understand fully the responsibilities of my office." These were the words spoken by the new officers of the D. E. Club at the **O'Keefe High**, Atlanta, annual installation service held this year at Davis Brothers' Restaurant.

After a delicious dinner the new officers were sworn in by last year's president, Henry Jenkins. Taking his oath each new officer would light a candle to signify his acceptance of his duties. Following the installation of the new officers, Linda Spruell, our new president, swore in the new D. E. members.

Mr. Ray Greeson, District Supervisor, Distributive Education, was our special guest.

Valdosta DECA members have completed final plans for the fourteenth annual Employer-Employee banquet to be held at the country club, February 9. Clarence Walker, public relations man for Coca-Cola Botling Company and one of the most outstanding speakers of the South, will deliver the main address. Mr. Walker will talk on the unlimited opportunities for the

youth of today. Members of the decorating committee are carrying out the banquet theme of "Opportunities Unlimited" with gala decorations of blue and gold.

Individual awards for local achievement in speech, spelling, math, salesmanship, advertising, essay, job interview and window display will be given winners of these events. The highlight of the evening is the announcement of the winner of the Warren Horton Memorial Award, in memory of the president of the 1954 D. E. class, given to most outstanding D. E. student, and the Coordinator's Award for the most improved student. Two new life memberships will be given to outstanding employers or educators for their outstanding service in D. E. work.

Campbell's Distributive Education Club classroom in Fairburn, Georgia, was ringing with the Holiday spirit December 2 at their annual Christmas dinner. The meal was served buffet style from tables decorated with silver candlesticks and silver reindeer. The menu consisted of backed ham, assorted salads, relish trays, rolls, several kinds of cake and soft drinks.

Doug Landrum acted as Santa when the time came for the exchange of gifts. Martha Holt, game chairman, came forward with her usual bag of tricks for a lively evening. Diane Lawhorne and Linda Beebe were in charge of dancing.

The room was decorated with cedar boughs, Christmas cards, mistletoe, and a lighted Christmas tree.

The people responsible for these decorations were the chairman, Jeanette Bonner, Becky McCressless, Kenneth Baily, Doug Landrum and David Seymour assisted by all other club members. Mrs. Louise Neely, coordinator, was the chaperon.

A man came home from work one afternoon and saw his children and several of the neighbors' kids standing on the front steps. He asked what they were doing, and one of them replied: "We're playing church."

Puzzled, the father inquired further and was told: "Well, we've already sung and prayed and preached, and now we're outside on the steps smoking."

Reba Jernigan

Campbell D. E. Student Honored

The Distributive Education Club in Fairburn, Georgia was honored by having one of its members, Reba Jernigan, named as **MOST INTELLECTUAL** in the senior superlatives. Reba is one of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jernigan's nine children who reside at RT No. 2, Fairburn, Georgia.

Reba is in the Beta Club and has been on the honor roll every year since she has been in high school. Aside from her excellent academic standing she has participated in many of Campbell's extra curricular activities. She has been a member of the Bulletin Board Club, Bible Club, Spanish Club, the Basketball team, the Tumbling Team, and Distributive Education.

Miss Jernigan is also very active in her church. She is pianist of the Beginner Sunday School Class, President of both Y. W. A.'s and her own Sunday School Class, Librarian of the Youth Choir, and Secretary of B. T. U.

At a call meeting of the employees of Fulton Federal Savings and Loan Association, where Reba is employed as a part-time DE student worker, she was presented a Lamp of Knowledge charm bracelet by Mr. Haines Hargett, Vice President in Charge of Personnel. The gift was a token present for her honor of being named **MOST INTELLECTUAL**.

Campbell D. E. Presents

P.T.A. Program in Palmetto

Opportunities offered through Distributive Education were presented at the November meeting of the Charles E. Riley P. T. A. in Palmetto. The program was directed by Jerrel Shell, a second year DE student. He was assisted by Amelia Johnston, Fred Storey, David Seymour, and David Moss in presenting the Who, What, When, Where, and Why of Distributive Education. This Learn and Earn program is in its seventh year at Campbell High and has several alumni of Riley School enrolled.

The second part of the program was a film on DE, written, acted in, and made by DE students at Campbell. Thomas Busby narrated the film while David Moss handled the projector. Mrs. Louise Neely, coordinator, answered questions at the end of the program.

Russell Goes "Paper - Back"

The Russell D. E. Club, East Point, is now engaged in a paper-back book sale as a school service. Students in the club sell books every morning in the school auditorium. They have a wide selection consisting of: fiction, biography, novels, dictionaries, languages, histories, mathematics, music theory, and others.

At a recent professional meeting two films were shown and fully enjoyed: "Defining Democracy" and "How America's Goods are Distributed".

Two members have recently won outstanding recognition in the school. Pat Mitchell was voted "Wittiest Girl" in the senior class; and Jack Merritt won the "Twist Contest" at a WQXI dance sponsored by the Band Parents' Club.

What Employers Think of D. E.

Distributive Education means many things to many people. There may be as varied reactions to Distributive Education as there are persons to react.

Some of Campbell High D. E. Employers gave the following interpretation of Distributive Education.

Some employers connect DE with those who do not plan to go to college upon graduation. One such employer is Mr. Leon Hudson, owner and operator of Hudson Supermarket in Fairburn, who says about DE, "My central thought concerning Distributive Education is — Every student attending high school is not going to college nor is he going to enter a profession. DE affords an opportunity for the student through work, while still in school, to learn an occupation and thus gain for himself good experience which furnishes him with references for permanent employment—DE also helps the student become a better citizen through helping him to adequately care for himself and his future family."

Another employer view point was the youth and enthusiasm that their DE students had. This was expressed by Mrs. Alice Allen, Personnel Manager of the Fulton National Bank in Atlanta, when she said; "Aside from accomplishing their assigned tasks, we here at Fulton National feel that our D.E. students make a real contribution to the work group. Their youth and enthusiasm seems to

OPPORTUNITIES UNLIMITED through DISTRIBUTIVE EDUCATION

by Judy Cofield
O'Keefe High School

The Distributive Education program at O'Keefe provides an opportunity for students to enter the business world while still working toward high school graduation. Mrs. Coody, our coordinator, emphasized that every student taking Distributive Education is enrolled in every academic course required of high school students and must choose Distributive Education as an elective. Distributive Education provides two units each year toward graduation, one for classwork and one for their job. They are dismissed after 12:40 p. m. for work.

High school students training under the D. E. program in their junior and senior years are offered the opportunity to train while they learn in a field of distribution, thus preparing them in advance for a career at graduation.

The point of view of these executives indicates that the type of training in the distributive field that will probably be most effective is that which provides: (1) general background business training in the eleventh and twelfth grades; and (2) specific training on a co-operative part-time basis during the last year or years of secondary school.

The present trend is toward an education that will help pupils solve the social-economic problems with which they are confronted after leaving school and that will help them fit into specific jobs.

Students should be taught in school to do the specific things they will later be called upon to do as workers in distributive occupations.

The students are required to work 15 hours each week, and regular reports of on-the-job progress are made by employers.

Distributive Education students are helped to become acquainted with selling techniques, business organization and operation, consumer economics, merchandising, marketing, sales promotion, leadership, training and business ethics, as well as numerous other subjects that will benefit them in the business world.

All students must be 16 and over in order to be in Distributive Education classes.

At O'Keefe, D. E. classes have been popular since 1947; 14 years ago. Since that time we have had four D. E. teachers: the very first D. E. teacher was Miss Rebecca Johnson, the second was Mrs. Virginia Wilson, the third was Mrs. Mirian Delk, and the one we now have, Mrs. Ellen Coody. This teachers have played a very important part at O'Keefe and have made our Distributive Education classes what they now are.

Distributive Education is offered:

1. To stimulate interest in the occupation on retail selling.
2. To set up a plan of training in his field.
3. To gain acceptance of the principle that practical training in actual employment on the job is an essential to successful vocational training.

complement the more mature personnel and lend a happy lift to employees' morale."

Mr. McCoy Campbell, Personnel Director of First National Bank in Atlanta summed up Distributive Education when he said "In our experience with the Distributive Education Program over the years we have reached the conclusion that D.E. has a double meaning: Distributive Education Desirable Employee. The Bank's participation in this program has given us many of our most effective supervisors, department heads, and even some of our officers. It has afforded us well-trained personnel of good moral fibre. At the same time we have gained a sense of satisfaction in

playing some part, however small, in the self-development of the youth of today to whom the community looks so confidently for the leadership of tomorrow.

We are proud of our association with these students and with the coordinators who work so enthusiastically with them and with us."

Flash Flash Flash

As we go to press, we regret to announce the resignation of our Ga. DECA President, Johnny NeSmith, Savannah. Our First Vice-President Ricky Murray, Wayne County High, Jesup, immediately assumes the duties of the Presidency, and Second Vice-President, Jimmy Armour, Russell High School, East Point, as-

URGENT

Time has a way of waiting for no one and we, as members of Ga. D5CA, are certainly no exceptions.

We are proud of our rich Ga. DECA heritage and rightly so. Let us make every effort toward our 1961-62 contribution. We know that Ga. DECA history is in the making.

The following is a list of materials needed immediately for your Clubs pages in this year's State Scrapbook. Each local club should send to the State Historian (1) A picture of the local club officers with names, titles, and work stations; (2) Two other pictures of interest; (3) Any unusual project undertaken by your club.

Hurry! Hurry! Hurry!

Send all materials to —

Tarver Morrison, State Historian

C/O Mrs. Louis Hickman,
Coordinator

500 Washington Avenue
Savannah, Georgia

Essay Contest

The foreigner was disgusted with the English language.

"For example," he remarked, "take the word 'crowd.' This means a lot of people. That is easily learned. But a crowd of ships is termed a fleet, while a fleet of sheep is called a flock.

"On the other hand, a flock of girls is called a bevy, and a bevy of wolves is called a pack, while a pack of fish is called a shoal."

"A shoal of bullocks or buffaloes is called a herd; a herd of soldiers is called a troop; a troop of partridges is called a covey; a covey of beauties is called a galaxy, and a galaxy of ruffians is called horde."

"A horde of logs is called a heap; a heap of oxen is called a drove; a drove of blackguards is called a mob; a mob of robbers is called a band, and a band of bees is called a swarm!"

"A swarm of words must be an essay."

sumes the duties of the First Vice-President. The office of Second Vice-President will remain vacant until election of officers in March.

On behalf of the officers, members, and state staff of Ga. DECA, may I say "thank you" to Johnny NeSmith for his leadership of Ga. DECA over the past year. We regret that he is unable to fulfill his term of office, and wish him much success in his future career.



YMCA YOUTH ASSEMBLY SWORN IN AT CAPITOL . . .
Justice T. Grady Head Presides Over Ceremony



. . . AND GROUP CONSIDERS PROPOSED HOUSE BILL . . .
Lynn Newell, Jim Martin, Steve Wilkerson, Irma Amaya



. . . AND HONORABLE CHIP BELL RULES
Youth Governor Has entification, of Course

Staff Photos—Darrell T

Young Solons Pass Child Penal Bill

**Upper House in Youth Assembly Here
Also Okay Strong Marriage Measure**

By PAT POTTER

The Senate of the YMCA Georgia Youth Assembly passed a bill Friday to abolish capital punishment for children 16 years old or younger.

The bill provides a sentence of life imprisonment in lieu of electrocution for a child who commits a felony. The crime often carries a death penalty.

The Senate also passed by a vote of 60-3 a bill which would strengthen marriage laws in the state. The act provides that no marriage license shall be issued until a certified birth certificate of both parties involved is submitted with the application.

eled on Georgia's own political system.

At a joint session of the House and Senate Saturday, the governor will report on bills, and awards will be presented for the best bills and outstanding performance.

OTHER BILLS and resolutions include one which would stretch the present term of state senators from 2 to 4 years, and one



—Times Staff Photo

Wildcats' Giles Smith Bulls In For Touchdown Tally Came Early In Opening Period To Climax 52-Yard Drive

SHAKEN BY LOSS

Richmond Coach Tags 'Dosta Team 'Great'

By TENNEY GRIFFIN

Richmond Academy's Coach Frank Inman was visibly shaken. He had just seen his fine 2-AAA champions beaten as an Inman-coached team had never been beaten before.

Coach Inman didn't seem to mind the loss as much as he did the size of it.

"This is the first time a team I've coached has ever had more than 14 points scored on it," he said after his 26-0 loss to Valdosta's Wildcats.

It was a hard-nose contest. One 7-year-old, after watching the fray for a few minutes, ducked his head in his mother's lap.

"I just can't watch, they are playing so rough," he told his mother.

For Coach Inman it must have seemed that way as the Wildcats crossed the double stripes four times and added two extra points.

Asked if his team had a bad night? "I'd like to believe that, I'd like to believe they aren't that much better than we are, I just don't know," Inman said.

He continued, "There's nothing you can say, that team (meaning the 'Cats) was great out there. They are a great team."

Inman credited Wildcats' quarterback Bruce Bennett with being the difference between the two teams.

"With him in there they are a great team, when he wasn't they were a good team," was the way Inman explained it.

He had no excuses, the Musketeers had taken a drubbing and everyone knew it, no one better than Inman.

Bennett's passing was what disturbed Inman more than anything else. "He always threw for that vital yardage when they needed it," Inman said.

But Coach Frank Inman wasn't the only Augustan shaken by his team's loss. Many a fan admitted the 'Cats Friday night were the finest high school team they had ever seen.

Two Augusta sportswriters said they didn't believe there was a team in the nation that could push around the Richmond line as did the Valdosta crew.

The scribes were stunned at half-time, they were amazed. This was the best team they had seen, and they said so.

An Augusta cheerleader was so

shaken or excited she passed out following the game.

Eighteen-year-old Beverly Bentley was taken to Pineview Hospital, revived and after a few minutes she was released for the long ride back to Augusta.

Some of Beverly's friends were concerned about her condition for she was said to have had a weak heart. However, the attending physician at Pineview said there was apparently nothing wrong with the young cheerleader — she was just too excited.

Richmond came to Valdosta to get revenge for the 'Cats 2-0 penetration victory for the South Georgia crown in 1960. They lost the football game but did get some paint revenge.

When the 'Cats went to Augusta last year, some enthusiastic 'Cat fans painted up a few walls and windows. The Richmond crowd got its revenge in the paint battle Friday night.

But no matter what anyone says, you can't take it away from the Augusta fans. They were with their boys all the way.

Behind 26-0 and about to score, the Richmond rooting section didn't come alive, they'd been that way all night. The Musketeer rooters just hooted and hollered more and more for that score. The 'Cats held, however.

Richmond drew bipartisan praise at half-time with its fine crack drill team from the ROTC unit at the school. The drill squad went through an intricate manual of arms drill to the steady tone of drums.

And so did the Valdosta High School Band at half-time draw praise from both sides with its fine display of playing and marching.

The Wildcat Band came on the field playing the 'Cats' fight song and that was all the fans needed.

But the staunchest Richmond supporter probably was glad he could find no one to take his bet. He came to town with \$1,300 in his pocket looking for ARC and 21 points. He didn't find any takers, much to his liking — after the game.

Store Manager Hails DE Program For His Success

Enthusiasm for the job, willingness to work, and plain hard work are things to which H. G. Woodall attributes his success in the managerial field.

Woodall, former DE student from Griffin, Ga., is manager of a W. T. Grant Company store in the Jacksonville, Fla. area.

Woodall graduated in 1945 and then entered the Navy. He was discharged in 1950. He then enrolled at Mercer University at Macon. He majored in business administration and started with the W. T. Grant Company in 1952 as a trainee in store management. His next job was division merchandiser, then assistant manager.

Woodall had the opportunity in 1959 to become manager of the new W. T. Grant store in Valdosta. He took advantage of this opportunity and came to Valdosta. Since then, he has been transferred to Jacksonville.

When asked if DE had any direct effect on his life, Woodall quickly replied, "DE prepared me for meeting the public, showing

the importance of a responsible job, and helped me reach the maturity required by such a job."

On the subject of obstacles he met under the distribution program, he said the hardest problem was finding time to devote to his other studies in order to keep his grades up to the required C-plus average he needed to stay in DE. He also added that the midnight oil spent on the other studies had certainly paid off.

Woodall is sold on the DECA program, and had in his employment four DE trainees at Grant's while he was manager in Valdosta.

He said his company recognizes DECA as a worthwhile organization, and employs over 500 DE students. Many of the trainees working at Grant stores in the past have now advanced to managerial positions.

He gives this advice to all DE students: "Have enthusiasm for your job, no matter how hard it may be, always willing to learn, and work hard on everything you do."



Students Recognized For Winning

Students receive recognition for their ability in the various contests held at a recent state conference. Shown here, John Porter, winner of the public speaking contest, and Clifford Norris, spelling contest winner, receive \$100 checks from P. L. Henderson while W. E. Glenn, coordinator puts an eye on the big checks.

DE STUDENT'S DAY IS ACTIVITY FILLED

An action packed day is all in the life of a typical DE student, such as Miss Charlene Wayne.

Miss Wayne reveals her activities here on a typical Tuesday. "I report to homeroom at 8:40, hear the devotional over the intercom.

"W. E. Glenn my coordinator, is very helpful and today aids me in filling out my income tax report. I had dreamed of ample funds from this return to attend State Leadership Conference. To my horror, I find Uncle Sam needs more of my hard earned money.

"The bell rings and I go to my DE II class. Today is the day for my report on Retail Credit. We discuss discretionary income and I am in hopes I can use this to pay Uncle Sam. This completes the unit on credit. We are assigned a test for tomorrow and advertising books are checked out for our next course of study. The bell rings and I have time to check only briefly on my duties as chairman of assembly programs.

"Business English is next on the agenda. This semester we are studying business letters and all the processes you have to go about

in producing a correct business letter.

"Next is business arithmetic. We are studying dividends on stocks, taxes on property and home owners expenses. Both of these subjects, I feel sure, would help everyone in the business field.

"Next is United States history. We are studying "The Slavery Controversy Divides the Nation." It includes the origin of slavery in America and the antislavery movement. During this period we go to lunch.

"At 1:20 I leave to go to work at the Citizens and Southern National Bank. I report to work at 2:00. My job is the opening of new accounts and closing of the old ones. I also file checks and deposits and help anyone that needs it.

"I have rotated to several different jobs in the bank which gives me a better view of banking operations. These jobs include charge account service, installment loans and presently book-keeping.

"My banking day ends at 5 p. m. From work I go home or sometimes I go shopping before go-

ing home. At home I do my studying and any other things that require attention. Often I go to club meetings, visit friends, and go to the show."

Club Vital In Student's Daily Life

The DE Club plays an important part in the lives of its members who spend a half day at school and the remainder of the day at their respective jobs.

This gives little time for extra-curricular activities.

For this reason Distributive Education Clubs of America was formed. In the club, members meet for social, vocational, civic and leadership development. Awards are given by business concerns for achievement of clubs or individuals. It is the highlight of the year at the state award banquet.

Executives talk over problems

TO GUIDE, DIRECT

VHS Coordinator Achieves Success

William E. Glenn, coordinator of the Valdosta DE Club, is probably the most successful DE coordinator known and his ability to guide and direct young people in the field of distribution and marketing, the Valdosta DE Club has been recognized as "Club of the Year" in Georgia for four straight years and National "Club of the Year" in 1959-60.

Glenn attended the University of Georgia where he received his BS in Distributive Education in 1955. He began as coordinator of DE at Valdosta High School in August of 1955. Glenn has been attending summer classes at Georgia and received his masters degree this past summer.

Glenn now serves as president of Georgia DE Association which consists of coordinators and adult workers for Georgia DECA. He is vice president of the Georgia Vocational Association and vice president of Southern Region of National DE Teachers Association.

Glenn feels that the program offers opportunity to students interested in distributive occupations if they are willing to assume responsibility in taking interest in the program.

It is his hope that the program helps students in getting along with people, gaining leadership ability and meeting their occupational objective.

Out of this group a few will become managers or owners of businesses while others will further their education in college and commercial institutes. Still others will join the vast work force of our nation.

Of the 51 students enrolled in the program, Glenn feels that each individual offers a challenge to him in helping to prepare these students so that they will be an asset to the community in which they live and gain the career objective they desire.

"Valdosta is a wonder city to work in, due to the excellent cooperation and support given by local business men and school administrators. Without this co-

operation and interest, the program cannot possibly achieve the goal of its purposes," he says.

with students and offer merchandising tips at such a conference. Projects such as DE signs for promotion, helping needy families and visiting old folks home for civic responsibility are a few of the projects carried on by the club. Sweethearts ride in the parade, a part of their social and school-wide activities.



W. E. GLENN Leads Program

DE Reporter Gets Out Special Edition

Being the president of the Valdosta High School DE Club is a high honor.

But being its reporter is the hardest task a DE student at VHS can undertake.

This year it is Elaine Allgood who has the task of club reporter and there are some days when Miss Allgood could call it quits.

This past week was an example of one of those days — or a lot of them for that matter.

She had to cancel all her plans for pleasure and concentrate on getting out the DE Club edition of the Valdosta Times.

Almost all the stories on the DE program, the interviews, the research and digging that went into them were done by Miss Allgood.

And it was no easy task for one who doesn't do it every day.

The Valdosta Times, in trying to help the DE program has had a policy of the students getting out the edition.

"This way we feel we can help them and give them a taste of meeting a deadline," a Times official said.

The job turned out by Miss Allgood is not only a credit to her ability and effort it is a tribute to the DE Club and the entire program at the school, the Times official added.

DECA IS NATION-WIDE AND VALDOSTA IS PART

We call it DECA. Not that it has anything to do with modern pop tunes, but probably because all of us dislike using a mouthful of words when we can find a lazier way to say it. Actually, it's an abbreviation for a pretty long handle — Distributive Education Clubs of America.

For those not too familiar with DECA, it is made up of state club organizations which, in turn, are made up of local clubs such as the Valdosta High DE Club.

The purpose of club activity, aside from its social values is to offer encouragement and recognitions for achievement by individuals for the job they have done in their course of study.

A distributive education student receives a full, long day of instruction and lab practice, but only part of this — about three or four hours per day—is gained on the school campus.

The remaining three or four hours of his learning day are spent in a "training station" which we call his laboratory ex-

perience.

DE enrolls only students 16 years of age or older who are either juniors or seniors in high school. Due to this and the fact the student does not have the opportunity to participate in extra-curricular activities during the afternoon as other students, projects and necessary social development activities are carried on by the DECA program.

No set pattern is followed by DECA club in their projects although they are of social, civic and promotional nature. An example of these activities are those carried on by the Valdosta club which has adopted a child in France, visited the home for the aged in Quitman, sponsored a register to vote campaign for high school students and as a promotional activity carried out on the annual DE Day.

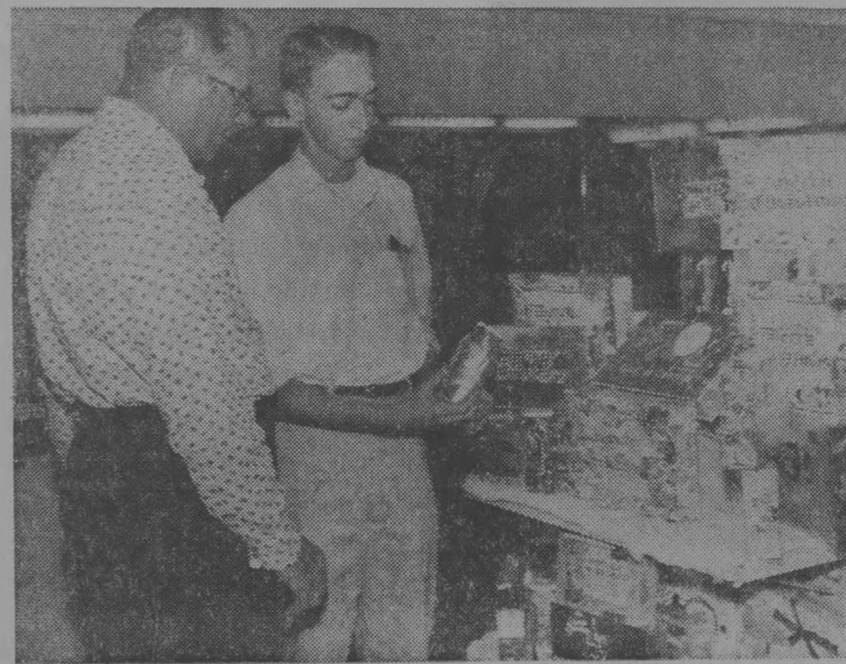
DE graduates such as Norman Greene, a past national officer, will boast that DECA has indeed paid dividends — has made definite contributions in the lives of many DE students.



Here's What DE Does

Joan Peterman, DE alumni, is an example of what many DE members strive for. She received her training at Veatch Pharmacy while in the program at Valdosta High School and continued this work on completing school. "Joan is the type employe we are proud to have associated with us. We hated to lose her and many of our customers miss her," says Larry Veatch, former employer. She is now Mrs. Joan Wilkinon and recently moved to another state with her husband.

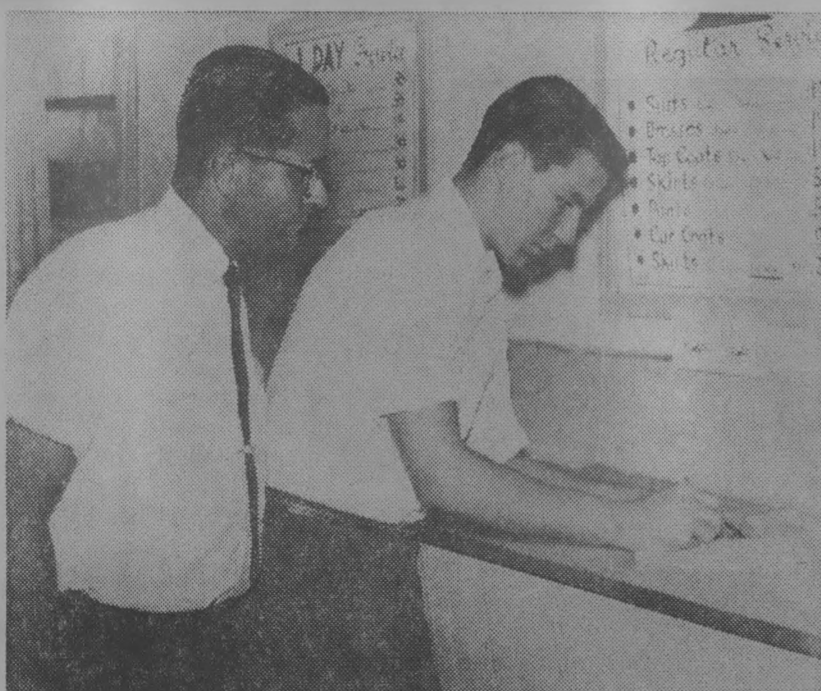
Haskell Godfrey, a junior and first year D. E. student is employed at Harvey's, Castle Park supermarket where he works in stock, as cashier, bag boy and other duties required in a super market. Haskell, although a junior is quite active in club work having taken part in several of the club's projects and served on different committees.



Charles Adams instructs David Terrell in proper merchandise display. David is a senior and first year D. E. student. His studies at Brookwood Pharmacy consists of the many activities in serving customers food and beverages at the fountain. He also is engaged in delivery work.

David has helped in the barbecues and other projects of the D.E. club. Mr. Adams is a long time booster of the D.E. program, having been awarded a life membership in the club.

BROOKWOOD PHARMACY



Jack Wilson, a first year student is supervised by Ralph Clark, manager of Snow's Laundry and Cleaners. Jack works at Snow's as pick-up man for cleaning and laundry, making out tickets, etc. He has participated in the barbecues and other projects of the D.E. club.



Arthur Ray Baker, a senior and first year D. E. student is employed at Tillman Motors. Raymond Tillman supervises Arthur in preparing a car for sale. Arthur's duties consist of pick-up and delivery of cars, selling, preparing cars for sales and display of cars on the lot.

Arthur is quite active in club work having won the speech contest for this area, participated in civic, promotion and other projects of the club. He is the president of the newly formed F.B.L.A. club at V.H.S.



LAUNDRY AND DRY CLEANER

TILLMAN MOTORS

DE PROGRAM AIDS FIRMS

As Georgia continues as a leader in the southeast in obtaining new industries, the demand for trained workers has become more pronounced.

Vocational education is attempting to meet this increased demand. Georgians have always been leaders in vocational education since its conception in 1917 by the Smith-Hughes Act.

This was followed by the George - Ellsey, George-Barden, and George-Dean Acts, all having served to broaden the scope of the program.

The vocational education program keeps three sound economy measures in mind to help meet the needs of our state.

First, adequate production through agricultural education and trade and industrial education. To meet the production need, courses are offered to students preparing for farming or scientific agricultural occupations in vocational agriculture while the trade and industrial program offers courses of study for students preparing for employment in industrial, technical or service occupations.

The DCT program offers training to high school students interested in the trades such as electricians, mechanics, plumbing, and nurses training.

Second, effective distribution training is offered by the distributive education and business ed-

ucation programs.

Third, intelligent consumption is taught through the homemaking education courses.

The vocational education program is financed through federal, state and local funds to these courses of instruction to satisfy the needs and wants of Georgia and Valdosta.

The vocational education program is not offered to take the place of academic education, but plays an important part in the total school program. It is not set up to meet merely the needs

of the slow learner, because many jobs require highly skilled workers with high aptitudes. It is designed to provide young people with the education that best suits their needs and abilities. Many students stay in school who might otherwise drop out if they have no aptitude or yearning for the strictly academic curriculum.

The program along with the courses offered in high schools offers adult training in management, nursing, electronics, and many others including the courses offered in the area trade schools.

Of these programs of agricultural, trade and industrial, business and homemaking education the distributive education program plays its part in the total vocational education program by providing instruction in distribu-



Sweethearts On Parade

DE Sweethearts Eva Ladrow, Judy McMullin, Shirley MacDonald and Joy Ratigan ride a float in the VHS homecoming parade last fall.

tion and marketing of goods and services.

Distributive occupations are found in retailing, wholesaling, manufacturing, storing, transporting, financing and risk bearing establishments.

Of this field of distribution and marketing one out of four people in the United States makes his livelihood. Distribution is the vital link between production and consumption of goods. Numerous items may be produced but without effective advertising, transportation and selling services the American economy would not function as it does today.

The distributive education program prepares students for jobs

in department stores, specialty shops, oil industry, transportation, advertising, insurance, real estate, banking and communications as well as others coming under the heading of distributive occupations.

Occupational fields are changing and new occupations opening up due to automation, space study and others. Georgians and Valdosta students will be prepared to meet the needs of this expanding work force by preparing for the career of their choice through the vocational education programs and the academic curriculum offered in our high schools.

Spotlight Has Fallen On Valdosta DE Club

In recent years the spotlight of outstanding recognition has fallen repeatedly upon the VHS Distributive Education Club under the guidance of W. E. Glenn, Valdosta High School's DE Club members have held state and national offices and won a staggering number of region, state and national awards for speech, math, essays, job interview, reporter, and sales demonstration.

For the past four years this DE Club has been named the "Club of the Year" in the state of Georgia. In addition to this honor, the local club has received the highest rating at the state convention since 1957, making it a superior club for four years straight.

The members of the club have held state offices, including two state presidents.

Norman Green was state president in 1958-59 and in 1959 Leroy Bloodworth was elected to head the Georgia DE Clubbers for a year.

Bud Cody and Ronnie Alderman each served as state vice-presidents in 1957-58 and 1960-61 respectively.

The list of state officers from Valdosta includes at least one of-

ficer a year since 1956. These officers are as follows: Bobby Mayer, 1956 - 57; Jerry Norman, 1957-58; Duane Partain, 1958-59; Geraldine Exum, 1959-60; Rennie Hardy, 1959-60; and Jimmy Hughes, 1960-61.

In statewide competition in 1959-1960 Nancy Sheffield set an unusual record by winning first place in the state contests of reporter of the year, essay writing, and job interviewing.

The local club has also won the promotion project and civic project award for three years.

The greatest honor to befall the VHS DE Club is that of being named the National DE Club of the Year in 1960. Charles DeVane was national vice-president of public relations. Norman Green also served as a national officer when he was the regional vice-president of public relations.

The DE Club sponsors several worthwhile projects at Valdosta High School. In the fall of the year this club publishes and sells Student Directories to the student body and faculty members. The "Club of the Year" contest is conducted by the DE Club each year.



All Customers Important

Sherlyn McKee Finds This True

Coordinator: Tough Job

The life of a DE coordinator, sometimes considered a teacher-trainer, is a complex one. Many people do not understand his position, his duties and in some instances the program itself.

The number of persons choosing this career is small due to the demanding hours, qualifications necessary in receiving certification and the fact that none of the colleges in Georgia offer a teacher-training program for DE coordinators.

He attends training conferences each summer to keep abreast of the constantly changing field of marketing and distribution.

The DE coordinator probably knows his students better than any other teacher in high school in that he is limited in the number of students he may carry and must work with them not only in the classroom, but observe them on their jobs and advise them in their club work.



Donnelle Ganas, a senior and first year D. E. student is employed at the Park Avenue Bank under the supervision of W. J. Pike. Her duties consist of checking records, bookkeeping, posting checks, filing and training as a teller. Donnelle is active in club work having helped entertain at the social functions, being in charge of invitations at the employer-employee banquets and participating in other projects of the club.

Checking Accounts
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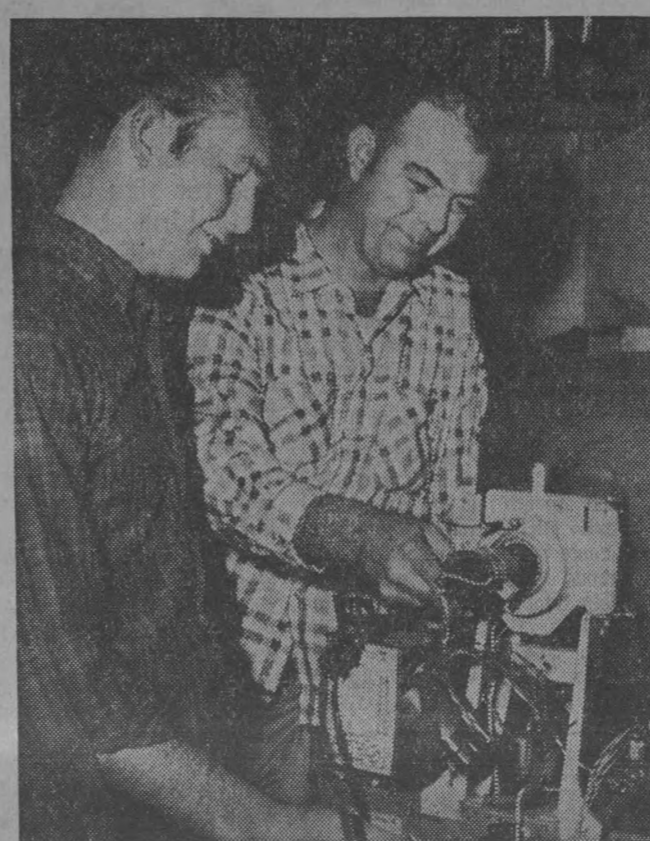
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Jerry Harris, second year student, and senior is employed at T V Hospital where he goes on service calls, sets up stock, takes care of deliveries. Jerry has participated in Fair displays, float committee, barbecue, mums and other projects of the Club.

Here he is shown with Guy Overby owner of the TV Hospital repair shop.

T V HOSPITAL

REPAIR SHOP
PARK CENTER



Sandra Bloodworth, (left) and Myra Mashburn, alumni. Sandra is a second year D. E. student with considerable artistic ability. She is co-chairman of the D. E. activities manual. In her job at Southern Stationery she works in the sales department, stock work, window display and merchandise display.

Myra, wife of one of the past presidents of the D. E. Club, is a full time employee, having received her training at Giles Drugs and Southern Stationery while in D. E.

Southern Stationery & Printing Co.



Geraldine Exum, alumna, is employed at the Mar-Lee Shop where she was trained as a D. E. student. Geri was quite active as a D. E. student. She served as state parliamentarian, won first place in the state manual contest, was chairman of the activities manual and attended the national conference in Kansas City.

Geraldine works in sales and stock, merchandise display and in other phases of the ready-to-wear business.

MAR-LEE SHOP

PARK CENTER



James Wetherington, a senior and first year D. E. student is employed at the Valdosta Cigar and Tobacco Co. where he works in stock, delivery work, and servicing of cigarette machines.

He has been active in athletics during his high school days having played on the baseball team as catcher. He is a member of the "V" Club and officer in the D. E. Club. He is quite active in all phases of the D. E. program having taken part in numerous projects and serving as chairman of the "King Ugly" Contest.

Valdosta Cigar & Tobacco Co.



Marilyn Rykard, senior and second year D. E. student. Selected as D. E. Student of the Year, winner of state spelling contest, essay, spelling, D. E. Student of Year local winner this year.

Marilyn is quite active in the local club having served for two years as treasurer and participated in all projects carried out by the club. She is an honor student, having received the scholarship award sweater at V.H.S.

Her training includes sales work, stockkeeping, handling orders, posting accounts, filing and credit work. Her employer at the Sport Center is Frank Eldridge, who is shown in the accompanying picture instructing her.

Marilyn also does part-time work for Treadaway Advertising Co. where she works as secretary for Bill Treadaway.

The SPORT CENTER

CASTLE PARK

CONFERENCES OFFER MANY OPPORTUNITIES

Many opportunities await the DE student at the state and national conferences.

Miss Betty Wilkinson, the reporter of the DE Club will reveal her varied experiences at the conferences.

After being selected to represent her local club in the math contest at the state conference, (selection is made by tests), Miss Wilkinson studies hard in order to do well on the state test.

The day of departure arrives and Miss Wilkinson can't wait to get started. Many exciting things are ahead of her and she doesn't want to put them off.

The first business upon arriving is registering and then getting acquainted with people from all parts of Georgia. Miss Wilkinson makes many new friends and begins campaigning for her club's candidate for office.

The coordinator reminds Betty to check the room number and time of the math test. She finds the room and then she and her friends shop and visit many places of interest.

Next day Betty is nervous, but she feels confident because of her studying. Then there is nothing to do but wait for the results of the contest.

The time of the Awards Banquet arrives and Miss Wilkinson awaits the results of the contest as she pretends to enjoy the meal before her. Now the announcer begins to read the names of the winners. Betty is sitting on the edge of her chair as the announcer says, "The winner of the math contest, Betty Wilkinson!!"

Betty is elated. This means she may go to the National Conference in Chicago, Ill. She begins planning now for the convention next month by reading all the material available on the conference. She learns the rules, which are made by the students themselves, as to curfew, etc. She plans to carry clothes for warm as well as cold weather.

The big day arrives and Betty boards the bus for Chicago along with twenty-eight other Georgians. She sees many friends from the state conference and begins to campaign for the boy who is running for a national office.

Tired but excited after three days of traveling, the group reaches "the windy city." The rush and hustle of everyone amazes the small town girl, but she begins making new friends right away.

The first banquet is that night. The room is beautiful and she will remember it the rest of her life. Betty gets her first glance of the national officers and later will meet some of them.

Many ideas for local club improvement are traded by the delegates from different states. In these confabs, many people are met whom she will never forget.

The election of officers is next on the agenda. A roll call of states is taken, campaign speeches are made and votes are taken by a roll call of states. Winning candidates are congratulated by others in the race.

The awards ball that night is the highlight of the conference with awards being presented to the contest winners.

Georgia DECA members and Betty are grateful for experiences gained by a national leadership conference. They will carry back new ideas, information on project "Hope," DECA blazers and numerous letters will go to new found friends of other DECA Chapters.

A truly great experience for Betty but as the bus heads south, she looks forward to returning to her friends and family.



Putting The Final Touches

Gerri Exum puts the final touches on a window display. Window displays are a part of merchandising of which Miss Exum hopes to make a career some day.

If you want that raisin sauce for baked ham or smoked tongue to be particularly delicious, use red wine as part of the liquid in the sauce.

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Leading Stores Hail Value Of Program

Leading business firms such as Sears-Roebuck, W. T. Grant Co., A&P Tea Co., Colonial Stores, J.C. Penny Co. and others attest to the value of the DE program, the only one of its kind to train young people in retailing or in the vast field of marketing and distribution, the nation's largest employer of the work force (52% in 1957).

For example Korger Co. offers a \$500 college scholarship each year to the best qualified DE student while other concerns offer support in this manner on a national level. Many executives such as J. C. Lynd of Winn-Dixie and Jack Edgerton of W. T. Grant Co. serve on the national DECA advisory board.

These men and the companies they represent feel the distributive education program helps in developing future managers and a more qualified working force for their concerns.

Developing future leaders of Marketing and Distribution, one of the goals set forth in the DE program is proving true in a survey conducted of Valdosta High graduates. Alumni of this program are continuing to work in distributive type occupations, the survey shows. Graduates of 1948-1957 indicated that 63.3% are remaining in the field of distribution. The

survey indicates 42.5% remain in the Valdosta area.

A definite increase in the number of students acquiring a college education or attending business schools goes along with the increase of other VHS graduates going into further formal education. A state survey indicates that the same percentage of DE graduates attend college as do graduates not in the program. For example 22% of the high school graduates of 1948 attended one year of college while in 1957 almost 40% were attending college for at least one year. More and more students are realizing the necessity of additional training after high school graduation.

Of the graduates checked in the DE program a total of 92 or 32.2% were in the armed service, housewives or had gone into occupations that were not distributive occupations.

Many graduates continue to work in their DE jobs and attend college such as Norman Greene, past national vice president of the Southern Region and state DE president in 1959. Norman is employed by a local retail concern and attends VSC where he is majoring in business administration. Bud Cody, a DE alumni con-

tinued on the job he was placed in while in high school and received his degree at Valdosta State College. Bud is now program director of one of the largest Boys Clubs in the U. S., that of Wichita Falls, Texas.

The total membership of the program earns from \$25,000 to \$34,000 per year in salaries while working from 43,000 to 51,130 hours during the school year.

The DE student must work a minimum of 15 hours per week at their job training station in order to receive course credit. These students range from a low of 50c per hour to a high of \$1.40 depending upon the experience and type job they are training in. Since this is a program of training through practical experience as well as related study in the classroom a great deal of the responsibility lies with the local sponsor of the student. These are the business men, who in cooperation with the school, hire these students to train in their establishment and learn the business under actual working conditions. Without the help and support of local business firms this program could not achieve its purpose — that of training young people in the field of marketing and distribution.



Warren Clayton is a junior at V.H.S. and a first year D.E. student. His job at Hagan's Creamy Freeze is a new adventure for Warren. Having worked around the Boys Club and being interested in meeting new people Warren finds that this training brings him into contact with many and varied types of people. He must keep up with stock to be carried, be familiar with how to make the various drinks and food orders he receives and provide the type place customers like to return to.

HAGAN'S CREAMY FREEZE

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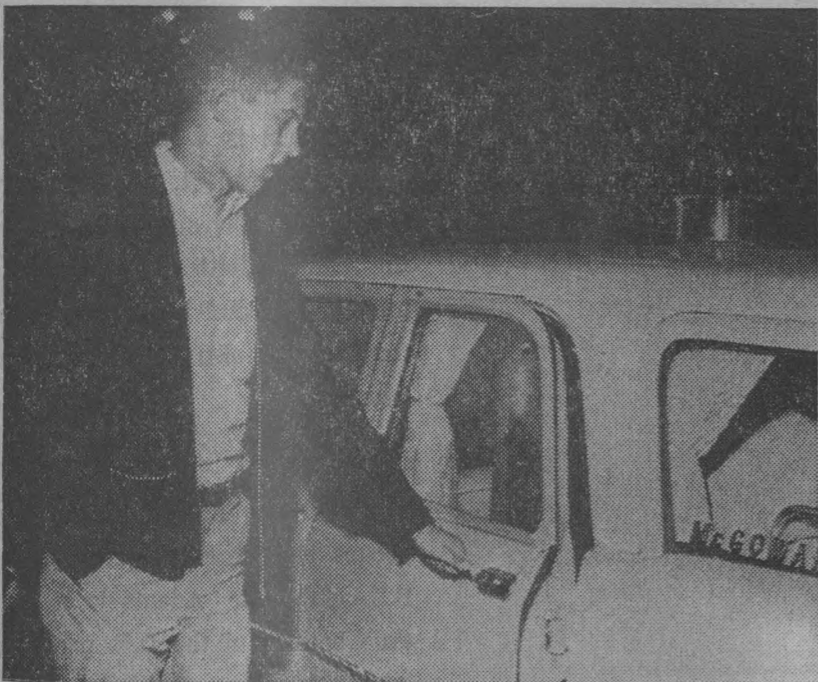
Frank Fender, known to nearly everybody by his nickname of "Rawhide", is an alumnus of the class of '58. He has been working with Stan Bishop for four years as a clerk and part-time bookkeeper.

His employer says "Rawhide" has proved to be a very dependable employe.

STAN BISHOP'S



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Next to Brookwood Pharmacy



Robert Cannon is a senior and first year D. E. student at V.H.S. Robert is employed at McGowan Funeral Home. He was in the band during his sophomore year, and has been active in D. E. Club work, serving on the float committee, activities manual and barbecue sales. He is serving as an apprentice having many duties such as going on calls, helping with floral arrangements upkeep of the grounds, etc.

McGOWAN FUNERAL HOME



Mrs. Beverly Reddick (left), and Betty Wilkerson, D. E. alumni admire a new Volkswagen at Pipkin's Motors. Both young ladies work in the office helping to keep books, accounts, filing and the many duties required of office personnel.

Betty Wilkerson, as honor graduate continues on her job while attending V.S.C. where she made dean's list last quarter. Betty a graduate of 1961 was quite active in D. E. work. A few of her activities include state winner of math contest, D. E. reporter of the year and attendance at the national conference in Chicago. Beverly held the office of secretary in the local club, served as membership chairman in the alumni club and has numerous duties in D. E. work.

PIPKIN'S MOTORS

North Ashley at Gordon



Pat Beggs is an alumna, and works in stock, sales and merchandise displays at Veatch Baby Pharmacy. Pat was a very active member of the D. E. Club having attended the functions and serving as window display contestant.

Here Pat displays a box of Valentine candy, as Valentine's Day is next Wednesday.



Clyde Roberson, an alumnus and past president of the Alumni Club work is in the credit department, sales, delivery and engages in stock work at Firestone. Clyde is noted for his ability on the basketball court and has been a booster of the D. E. program for a number of years. He married the former Jeanette Rykard, a D. E. student also. They have two children.

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JAN. 22-24	FEB. 20	9	13	16	18	20	1	4	22	1	4	22	1	4	22	1	4	22	1	4
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ONE BEDROOM furnished cottage, couple only, \$35 month. W. W. Lineberger, Realtor, 242-8957.
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FOR COMPLETELY furnished apartments, call CH 4-0504.
 Nice furnished private apt., couple. No pets. CH 2-7170.
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FOR RENT: Nice 3 room furnished garage apartment. CH 2-6912.
4 ROOM unfurnished apartment, 203 E. Gordon, nice front porch, freshly painted inside. CH 2-4938.

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FURNISHED bedroom, private entrance, connecting bath, 1605 N. Patterson.
DESIRABLE room, private bath, air conditioned, gas heat, gentleman. CH 2-4008.
Room and board for men. 303 E. Hill. Phone CH 2-0610.
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