

El Caballero



Slave Day nets \$561 in bidding total

The clinking of chains and a pair of lavender-blue suspenders highlighted the seventh annual Slave Day held at El Cerrito High School. The total amount collected was \$822. This is the third highest total ever collected here.

Eighteen slaves were sold for a total of \$561. On the spur of the moment, after all other slaves had been sold, Mike Mallory was sold for \$45, the highest amount bid for any slave. After bidding ceased, donations were given, and they totaled \$217.90.

Bought by the Junior class, Judy Newlin was the first slave sold, for \$29. Dorene Carlevaro followed, and was purchased by the Senior class for \$31. The Sophomores, buying the first of their four slaves, invested \$40 in Mike Doyle. For \$40 Sandy Domes was bought by the Freshmen class.

Lavender-blue suspenders, from Mr. Lovette, auctioneer, were sold for \$8.50 to an off-campus group. Leslie Cooper was sold to the senior class for \$25. Our foreign exchange student, Eli Cassimero, was sold to Junior Statesmen for \$30.

In charge of the membership drive for the PTA, Mrs. Armstrong then presented a check to the school for \$169.50, which was to be divided up among each class proportionally to the amount of memberships each had gotten. The A'capella bought Mike Ostrov for \$20, after which for \$30 Cindy Eurich was purchased by the Sophomore class.

14 E.C. Junior Statesmen attend state convention in Sacramento

Fourteen El Cerrito Junior Statesmen attended the State Convention held in Sacramento on November 18 and 19.

The delegates boarded a bus at 11:30 on Friday, November 18, and headed for Sacramento. A Supreme Court session was the first item on the agenda. It listened to complaints at this and the other two sessions held at the Convention. Joe Allen is one of the justices on the Junior State Supreme Court. Dave Bergen is marshal of the court and Barbara Bolton is clerk of the court.

Lieutenant Governor and Governor Pro-tem, Steve Schaffran called the first session of the assembly to order at 7:00 o'clock. Following this session, the delegates adjourned to committees, which considered the pieces of legislation to be discussed the

Student Body vice-president Steve Schaffran was sold to Maintenance Crew, the highest bidder, for \$34. Our second exchange student, Gunilla Höjer was auctioned for \$28. She was bought by White C. Head yell leader, Sue Price, sold for \$40 to the Sophomores.

The first surprise package, Rich Kayfes, was sold to the junior class for \$44, followed by Helen Stiles, to the senior class for \$43. Sophomores received their fourth slave, when they bid \$32 on Melinda Stebbins. Don Carpenter sold for \$32 to A'capella.

Next was Mr. Lovette's tie, which was bought for \$20. Mike Mallory was sold amid cheers, and yells from the students, after which Mr. Lovette sang a song for \$1.00.

The annual El Cerrito High School Slave Day was started in 1954, to raise money in order that foreign exchange students could be brought to this school under the American Field Service scholarship plan. Total monies collected have risen to an all time high of more than \$1,400. This record was set last year.

What's up?

Friday, December 2:
Senior Play--8 pm in Boys' Gym
Wednesday, December 7:
GAA Family Night
Los Cosmopolitanos sale
Thursday, December 8:
Orchestra sale

following day. Craig Swan served as chairman of the Rules Committee. A dance concluded the first evening of the convention.

The first order of business for the second session, starting at 9:00, Saturday, was the election of a speaker pro-tem. Craig Swan was nominated but came in second to Frank Rossi from Alhambra. During the Saturday session a bill calling for a campaign by the Junior Statesmen against juvenile delinquency was defeated. It was argued that the approach by the proponent of the measure was wrong. Another bill defining the inability of the executive officers was passed. A resolution calling for abolition of the electoral college in favor of direct election was overwhelmingly passed. Another resolution calling for the redistribution of

Mrs. Faiola lectures on wardrobe design - hopes to return

By using miniture manikins Mrs. Theodora Faiola of the McCall Pattern Company demonstrated to girls in Mrs. York's clothing classes last Friday the essentials of line, design, color, and texture in making clothes and selecting a wardrobe.

Her first demonstration was to show the effect of designing by using eight basic skirt shapes which were applied to two of the manikins. This showed how to use the shape of the skirt to emphasize height.

She also demonstrated the effect of different colors, designs and textures on different girls.

An example of color choice is for short girls to wear matching skirts and sweaters or solid color dresses.

Some examples of proper design are horizontal print for tall girls and vertical lines for short girls.

The demonstrations were followed by film strips on Monday and Tuesday. These film strips were also supplied by the McCall Pattern Company.

This company also supplied a wardrobe guide, Tips to the Sew Set, to help girls in planning their wardrobes. The demonstration fitted nicely into Mrs. York's lesson which deals with wardrobe planning



Jack Jobe, Ilona Orly in Senior Play drama The Man Who Came to Dinner.

the immigration quotas according to need was also passed. The delegates defeated a resolution in favor of teaching courses in comparative religions in California high schools.

Those attending from El Cerrito were Joe Allen, Margie Dewley, Dave Bergen, Barbara Bolton, Dave Booth, Eli Cassimero, Glen Gable, Gunilla Höjer, Brenda Nordan, Steve Schaffran, Bob Sellaer, Sid Smith, Craig Swan, and Ken Watt. Mr. Frank Schofield and Miss Elizabeth True attended as sponsors.

Seniors present annual production last show tonight

Tonight is the last night that the Senior Play The Man Who Came to Dinner will be presented. Mr. Elkind directs this comedy hit, assisted by Adele Gordon as student director.

Played by Jack Jobe, Sheridan Whiteside, who is and author, critic, and lecturer, dines at Ernest Stanley's home. While leaving after dinner, he slips on their icy door-step and breaks his hip.

He is forced to stay at the Stanley's home where he monopolizes the house and the home life of the family. Meanwhile, a continuous feud rages between Whiteside's secretary, Maggie (Marilyn Willey), and the sexy Lorrain Sheldon, played by Ilona Orly.

Vary types of people and animals are continually running in and out: an ex-murderess, convicts, penguins, and cockroaches.

Additional cast members are Carla Hendel, Lanine Tompkins, Don Green, Pat Elliot, Gunilla Höjer, Delois Cotton, Rick Douth, Kent Truscott, Pat Iiyama, June Fleming, Ed McCarthy, Harvey Skee, Richard Anderson, Diane Dunphy, and Sue Slavin.

Others in the cast include Stephanie Zucker, Bob Smith, Stan Brown, Bill Logan, Jerry Hewitt, Gene Strohallen, Dick Rinehart, Gus Sherwood, Arvis Whitiker, Es Snell, Raul Torres, Steve Woods, and Mike Ostrov.

Backstage, work is being done by June Fleming and Sue Jenkins, who are stage managers; in charge of properties are Pat Iiyama, Bea Courtwright, Sandie McCorduck, and Pat Slatery.

Connie Veltfort, Karen Cheney, Christine Leave and Carol Alberti head the makeup department. In charge of costumes are Ilona Orly and Nina Diliberto. Sound effects are being handled by Alice Wilbur.

Thespians active in senior play

The National Thespians Society is El Cerrito High's club for prospective actors and actresses and is sponsored by drama teacher Mr. Sam Elkind.

The members of this club have one particular thing in common: Their interest in the theater. This also constitutes the Thespians' main goals--to progress and enrich interests in the theater and to present various plays for the enjoyment of the members and the student body at large.

The Thespians take part in many diverse activities throughout the school year. Among these is this year's Senior Play, *The Man Who Came to Dinner*, which is playing on December 1 and 2. Although the club doesn't directly sponsor this play they definitely do take a major part in its production by furnishing most of the actors and doing stage work of all kinds.

Directly attributed to the club is the Thespian Play which will probably be presented in the early part of next year. Last year, supplementing the play, the club sponsored the Thespian Dance, "The Masque." Another feature of this active society is their Christmas party. Arrangements have taken no definite form as of yet, but popular beliefs among the members substantiate its future being.

Membership in the National Thespians Society is based on a point system. Students may become Thespians when they have accumulated 21 points. Points are given for public appearances of a great variety.

Thespian officers are as follows: President, Dan Earl; Vice President, Floyd Smith; Secretary, Barbara Ganson; Social Chairman, Bill Logan; and Treasurer, Adele Gordon.

Joe Allen interested in politics



Joe Allen

This week's student of the week is Sophomore Joe Allen.

Joe's main interest lies in politics. He first became interested in politics in 1952

International Problems class informed

The international problems course offered at El Cerrito and conducted by Mr. Wilde is less than a club, but many participating students have expressed feelings to the effect that it is more than "just another class."

The fact that this course is available to students at this school is unique in itself as only an extremely small minority of high schools throughout the United States boast such a program among their curriculum.

During this first term of the school year the international problems classes, which meet third and sixth periods, have hosted three guest speakers and have undertaken a field trip to the Arab Information Center at San Francisco's World Trade Center. The ultimate goal of these encounters was to make the students aware of world problems and to present personal, outside views on current, prominent world affairs.

The guests, in order of their visitation, were Miss Charlotte Green, Miss Barbara Mann, both former El Cerrito students, and Mr. Mitchell from the University of California.

Charlotte spoke chiefly about her experiences at the Encampment for Citizenship camp she had recently attended. It is the purpose of the liberal organization to subject young people of greatly diverse backgrounds to each other and make them aware of the many problems confronting them in the modern world.

The second speaker, Barbara Mann, recalled some of the conditions she encountered and some of the places she visited on a trip she took to Palestine this summer. She witnessed first hand and even partook, for a day, in the life on the three types of collective farms, the kibbutz, the moshav, and the mashav. She

also reported just what Israelis thought of us, and she mirrored their sentiments toward current affairs effecting their country.

Between Barbara Mann's and Mr. Mitchell's visits, volunteer members of both classes, fifteen in all, and Mr. Wilde, attended an arranged meeting with Mr. Mohammed Mehdi of the Arab Information Center. Mr. Mehdi, who was born in Iran and has only recently come to the U.S. for foreign relations work, spoke chiefly in defense of the Arab viewpoint in the Palestine problem. On a more general note he stated his beliefs concerning the future of the Arab world.

Basically he set forth that in the Arab Lands is the future of the World. Americans, he said, are looking backward when they study Europe and European cultures. These areas are on their way down.

The latest speaker, Mr. Mitchell from the University of California spoke in defense of the Jewish position in the Israel problem. We expounded such topics as the Arab refugees, immigration into Palestine, and the basic disagreement with Great Britain that is at the root of much of the Israeli problem, the Balfour Declaration.

Other speakers and events are being planned for these classes which are run on both a semesterly and yearly bases.

F.D.R. fights against polio

Sunrise at Campobello is the story of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, his family, and his fight against Polio.

Although F.D.R. is primarily considered a political personage this is not a story dealing with politics. Instead, the major point is his fight against polio and his determination not to become stagnant.

Through his invalidism Franklin Roosevelt learned the true meaning of humility, self control, and the phrase "a man must learn to crawl before he can walk"--things, which many feel contributed much to his success as President. Except for a few changes, the movie version has the same cast as did the play. Ralph Bellamy, as F.D.R. gave what some consider the best portrayal of his career.

The name, "Sunrise at Campobello" is to be taken both literally and symbolically. Campobello is the name of an island in New Brunswick, where the Roosevelt family spent their holidays and where F.D.R. was stricken with polio. In the opinion of many, Sunrise refers, in its symbolic sense, to the effect that polio had on his life and intellect.

Sunrise at Campobello is now playing at the Marina Theater in San Francisco. Tickets are being sold on a reserved seat only basis.

Mr. Trason tells war experience



Mr. Trason

"It's a good class," stated Mr. Trason, when asked about his German class during an interview last week. "There are only 21 students; a small class is better."

Mr. Trason, a native of Czechoslovakia, also teaches Social Studies and World History.

This teacher had quite an experience during the war of 1945 and 1946, when the communists took over his country.

"About two weeks after the communists came," explained Mr. Trason, "A friend of mine, a guide and myself escaped into Germany. When we thought we were in safe territory, we sat down on a hill to eat our bread. We got up and walked for about a half an hour until we saw a German soldier. We asked him how long we had been in Germany and he said only for two or three minutes."

Before Mr. Trason came to this school three years ago, he taught history and geography at Contra Costa J.C. in Concord as a substitute for about two or three months.

Mr. Trason's hobbies include reading material that deals with the subjects he teaches and sports in general. He also is assistant coach to the soccer team at Cal.

Dark mystery??

For several weeks now El Caballero has been presenting clues leading to the identification of the mystery personality, but no active interest has been shown by the student body.

It has come to the attention of staff members that many students claim to know who the featured person is. In accordance with the rules of the contest this does them no good whatsoever unless they turn in their guesses on a slip of paper with their name on the back. One slip will be drawn at random each day until the correct name is found.

Oral guesses, no matter how correct nor how loudly spoken, will not be recognized in any way!!

LONE ★ STAR

M E M O

TO: All students
FROM: Texas Bob Sellner
REGARDING: Pot-pourri

It's time for another one of my now notorious pot-pourri columns. As you should know by now, a pot-pourri is a confused mixture.

Now that your Thanksgiving feast has passed, you've probably all wondered what to do about that monstrous pile of left-over turkey.

There are several ways to approach this problem. With one decisive move, you can throw the whole mess out, and into the garbage can. This solves the whole difficulty.

On the other hand, if your mother is like mine, she'll tell you that there are millions of people going hungry in other countries, and that you are going to eat that turkey, no matter what!

Naturally, she was the one who had ordered the too-large turkey in the first place. In past years, we've always resorted to the 25 or 30 different recipes utilizing turkey, until...

...until, that is, up to last year. This year, mother dear tried turkey jerky. I'd never heard of it...until then. We all decided that we'd rather starve. Anything at all, but we refused to eat that turkey jerky. Honestly, no pun is intended.

Then, decisively, we concluded that we should think for ourselves; so, we threw the leftover turkey, along with the viceroys (I hate despots) out, into the garbage can. How's that for a pun?

A couple of weeks ago, I mentioned life in a cow town of 600. The column was cut and it didn't make any sense. I shall repeat my old statement.

If you think that farm life in a small town is dull, you could not be more mistaken.

How many times at 12:00 in the early hours of the morning do you put nine people INSIDE a Corvair, and drive around town, in and out of alleys, across people's lawns?

Now, for the first time it can be told...the reason Boosters make most of their money. They make their money from the sale of pom-poms.

Logically, a question will arise in your minds...why do people buy them in the first place?

I'll tell you two reasons...the first being self-defense. If you've sat between two girls with pom-poms, and been pom-pomed in the face, you'll know what I mean...

...but I'm wise to their little game. I just moved out of the rooting section.

The second reason people buy pom-poms is not because they have school spirit, but because it is thing to do" and because everybody's doing it."

I'll leave you; with my printed scrawl...and your left-over turkey. -Tex

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Bill 418

The time has come when Legislature has defeated its purpose. You might say that it has bitten off the hand that feeds it.

Legislature was created for the purpose of maintaining a democratic student government---a government of the students, by the students, and for the students.

Since a pure democracy would be inconvenient for the students involved, they elect representatives to look out for their interests in an organization called "Legislature."

These representatives, however, have failed their duty.

They have presented and voted in to effect a bill which, contrary to the general student position, forces the students to sit in in-

effective class meetings followed by a senseless waste of time until the bell rings.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Buildings and Grounds

Dear Sirs:

There has been some controversy, both black and white, over the Building and Grounds Committee. I will try to bring out a grey side.

I feel that this committee should consist of no more than three members, except in special cases in which case Legislature could temporarily appoint more. But, I don't think this committee should be abolished; for if it were, either a great burden would fall on one person or our campus would become the sloppiest one in the Bay area (which I don't think even "Texas Bob" would want.)

I agree with "Texas Bob" that everyone and everything should be open for criticism but it should be constructive criticism.

I agree on some ideas of both sides and I hope others will use some degree of moderation in forming their opinions. I hope El Caballero does not become a battleground for Steve Schaffran and Bob Sellner.

Brian A. Christeson
An Interested Sophomore

Up in the air

1. Pick a clear day for your flight. If you can't get that---take pills. Any kind of pills. Just take a lot!

2. About stewardesses: after Shelley Berman expected them to say 3 words: coffee, tea or milk? They don't. They also say "Aren't you kids a little young for champagne?"

Spoon-fed El Cerritans are apathetic

"Student apathy can kill you," remarked the Alhambra Student Body President recently in a discussion on student government.

But El Cerrito needn't worry about it. The students are always supporting the student body. Look at Slave Day, Frank Lacy Day, the rooting section at the football games.

This is where El Cerrito students are wrong. El Cerrito need worry about student apathy. Until now everything doing with student government and student support has been hand fed to the student body. Legislature is held during school with the representatives getting excused from class. A special schedule is held for class meetings. Slave Day and Frank Lacy Day were school assemblies with special schedules held.

But if the students have to put out any extra effort they don't seem able to do it. Voting in student body elections is about one third of the possible vote. Class elections draw even less. Why? Because the students have to walk down to the gym or room 53 to vote, or else they have to read a notice in order to understand the issues involved.

It is about time that El Cerrito students woke up to the fact that government will not be spoon fed to them, that the very existence of student government depends on the participation of everyone.

You would think that Legislature representatives would be willing to put out a little extra effort for the privilege of representing a class or organization. Evidently they're not. A special meeting was called--this time you didn't get out of class--and not even one half of the representatives showed up.

They do this instead of allowing them the freedom which is rightly theirs to attend clubs and organizations which by the consent of Mr. Lovette indulge in effective student legislation, after which they industriously utilize the remaining time for club business.

Furthermore, this bill prevents the meeting of Mike Crew, the group of volunteer students who carry out the thankless job of presenting to the students the sound in each assembly and athletic event.

It also prevents the only remnant of culture in this school, club or class, from meeting as Classics Club. Neither of these can meet either after school or only during Brunch since both sponsors and members are unable to attend after school and Brunch, which is used anyway, is not long enough.

Other people and organizations affected are White C, the dark-room staff, many of our programs whose performers meet during the "A" period, and last but not least, the students of El Cerrito High School.

Such are the effects of Bill 418. I therefore make this plea, that all the students at El Cerrito High School at the coming election concerning this bill will vote for the good of the student body and vote NO on Bill 418.

Israel Lawrence
Chairman of the Committee
for the Repeal of Bill 418

3. If you find that you are not sitting next to your buddy, don't let it faze you---make a scene. Don't be bashful, turn on the waterworks. Scream a little, maybe roll in the aisles. This method works like a charm. People think "I have to sit next to THAT for the next few hours?" They move.

Dear Blabby.....

by Dianne Healy

Dear Blabby,

I've been going steadily (not steady) with a boy for two years. He's now a freshman at Cal and his parents are turning him into a slave. They insist that all he does is study, study, study.

He hasn't taken me out for six weeks. I know that he doesn't have another girl; he has no social life at all. I miss him, darn it.

Shall I talk to his parents, start inviting him out, or sweat it out?

Lonesome

Dear Lonesome,

Do you really know that he has no other girl?

Think it over. If you decide that you don't know, forget about being lonesome. There are lots of pebbles on the beach.

If you decide that you do know for heaven's sake sweat it out. Slave driving parents can't stand teen agers who dip their noses into the way they're raising their kids. They may see to it that you are lonesome for their son for the rest of your life.

Remember, patience is a virtue.

4. Don't try to open the windows. I can assure you from bitter experience that they don't, (open, that is).

5. Curb any impulses to go up and tell the pilot how to run the plane.

6. Relax. Remember, you can always take the bus back.

By Jane Twig, Oakland High.

Mother sends her kind regards

Dear Miss Wilcox:

May I request the very great pleasure of escorting you to Barnum's Museum, at any time which may suit your convenience? To grant this favor will give me very much pleasure. No pains will be spared by myself to have you enjoy the occasion, and I will consult your wishes, in every particular as to time of calling for you and returning. Waiting an early reply to this, I remain,

Most Sincerely,

Mr. Spellman;

Dear Sir:

I shall be most happy to visit Barnum's Museum with you, but will prefer being one of a company in which yourself is included, such also being the wish of my mother who sends her kind regards. A visit from you, at our house next Tuesday evening, will enable us to decide upon the time of going.

Very Sincerely

1500 women versus 4000 men at the University of Pennsylvania

Have you decided where you would like to go to college? To aid you in your decision El Caballero will run articles from time to time on various colleges throughout the country.

The University of Pennsylvania is a small private school near Philadelphia. The average enrollment consists of 4,000 men and 1,500 women from all parts of the country and from all financial backgrounds.

All fields of study are offered within the 13 separate colleges contained in the University of Pennsylvania and they offer the opportunity to continue into their graduate school.

The classes are small, which allows for almost seminar-like discussions. The average student faculty member ratio is one faculty member for every nine students. There are many classes of less than twenty persons, and few numbering over twenty-five.

Each year the University of Pennsylvania admits 1000 men and 400 women to make up their Freshman class.

In the selection of their Freshman class, Pennsylvania takes into consideration many things. All applicants must have taken The College Board aptitude tests given in December and received a score of approximately 600 or more. Besides this, they should have been in the upper 1/5 or at least the upper 2/5 of their high school graduating class and must have participated in a number of extracurricular activities. University of Pennsylvania looks for above average, well rounded students for admission to their Freshman class.

All applications must be received by January in your senior year. However, applicants are not notified until May, allowing time for each application to be considered carefully.

The tuition averages \$1400 per year. Living expenses, room, board, books, clothes, traveling expenses, and personal needs comes to another \$1400 per year.

Each year the University contributes at least one half a million dollars in educational grants to its students. The grants are good for every year that a person is in attendance, and range from \$100 to \$2000 depending on his need.

Approximately 50-75% of all applicants for aid each year receive it, making this one of the largest educational aid programs in existence.

There are a number of scholarships available. One of particular interest to students is from Crown Zellerbach Paper Company, which enables some Northern California student to further his or her study in Business Administration. So far, it has never been used.

For further information on the University of Pennsylvania see your counselor.

A lesson in writing

Penmanship is the combination of peculiar characters used to represent the record of thought; and having, since its first invention, continued to change its form down to the present time, so it is probable the style of penmanship will continue to change in the future.

An objective early to be obtained, is to acquire an easy, graceful and healthful position of the body while sitting or standing when writing. To obtain this, the writer should sit with the right side to the desk, using a table, so high as to compel the body to sit erect.

Maintain a posture such as will give a free expansion of the lungs, as such posture is absolutely indispensable to the preservation of health.

Avoid dropping the body down into an awkward, tiresome position. If wearied with continued sitting, cease writing. Lay down the pen, step forth into the fresh air, throw back the arms, expand the chest, inflate the lungs, and take exercise.

School Library is low on funds

The school library is developing financial straits. At the present there is only \$35 left for the purchase of new books according to Mrs. Nelson, the librarian.

"I would like \$2.50 per student for the purchase of books," she said. "But even compared to \$1 per student \$35 is nothing."

At the beginning of the year the Library was given \$225 for all expenses. Of this, \$150 had to be sent to the government to pay for catalog cards.

Of the \$75 left, \$40 must pay for books still being delivered from last year's order, leaving \$35 for books this year. But the library needs to replenish many more than \$35 worth of books.

Mrs. Nelson said that we were fortunate to be able to continue our magazine subscriptions.

An insight given on love and history

What kind of life did your great grand parents lead? Would you like to know the intimate details; the kind you would find in genuine 1870 love letters? If you would this series is especially for your enjoyment and edification.

The first of this series include the following piece and the request and reply with conditions, directly above. It is through the courtesy of Mrs. Clayworth that these letters have been made possible.

November 28, 1870

Mr. Spellman
Dear Sir

Your kind invitation to accompany you to the opera, to-morrow evening, is received. Under ordinary circumstances I would be delighted to go with you, believing you, at heart, to be really a most excellent gentleman. I regret to add, however, that I have undoubted evidence of the fact that you are becoming addicted to the use of the wine cup. I regard it entirely unsafe for any young lady to continue an intimacy with a young man upon whom is growing the habit of intemperance. With an earnest prayer for your reformation, we it be too late, I beg you to consider our intimacy at an end.

Respectfully,
Helen Sanford.

Remember the Alamo!

"Remember the Alamo!"

This theme has inspired movie star John Wayne to make a picture on the Alamo. The movie cost 12 million dollars to make; it is in blazing color and stars John Wayne, Richard Widmark, Laurence Harvey and guest star Richard Boone with a cast of thousands. John Wayne and writer James Edward Grant worked for 14 years preparing the film which was shot entirely on location in Bracketville, Texas.

The circumstances against Texans were tremendous. Not only were they couped up inside the Alamo, which was actually a mission, but they had a mere 185 men compared to General Santa Ana's 7000 troops.

Their purpose was to keep Texas under American rule and prevent it from falling into the hands of the Spanish.

It is said that to enforce the Alamo properly it would take 1000 men, but since the Texans had 185 they located themselves in the most strategic positions they could find.

For twelve days the Texans valiantly held their position, but on March 6, 1836, the troops of Santa Ana were too much and the men at the Alamo fought furiously but in the end there was not a man left; all of the Texans died bravely for their country.

The sacrifice of their life by the men of the Alamo and what "Remember the Alamo" means to all Americans makes this book and later-to-be picture a very magnificent account of the heritage of our country.

Did you know?

by Flunky

-that Bill Logan and Stan Brown spend their week-ends drawing horse crossings on street corners and painting Mrs. Jobe's roses red?

-that Sue Miller has been spending her time practicing blowing bubbles and now she can blow bigger, better, bubbles than anyone else in school?

Letters to the editor

Dear Editor,

Touché.

Steve Schaffran

To all Juniors

IN THE EL CABALLERO of Thursday November 10, 1960 there was much controversy on the issue of the quality of the Junior central committee. One letter from "another Junior" particularly interested me. This person seemed to have the feeling that he (she) is being left out. This may well be true. However, no one has to feel left out and I'll tell you why.

At our last meeting the Central Committee discussed this problem. A few interesting points were brought up.



"HAPPY, DEAR TAXPAYERS?"

El Caballero salutes Howard Eastman

OFTEN TIMES, WHEN EVERYONE ISN'T AGREEING WITH YOU, you may get to the point where you concede and give up your struggle. But there are some people who continue to fight. El Caballero could like to salute such a man. His name is Howard Eastman.

In the recent school tax and bond election every civic, industrial, and institutional organization which took a stand favored the passage of the two measures to insure good schools. Mr. Eastman did not favor the passage of the school measures. But rather than give up, Mr. Eastman continued his fight.

He brought before the public statements which he attempted to pass off as truths. An example of such is his "fact" that teachers work only 30 hours a week while in reality they must be at school for at least 36 hours a week. Mr. Eastman's figure gives no account of the hours teachers spend at home correcting papers and preparing lessons. However, the public was gullible and stupid enough to believe Mr. Eastman and it sent both measures to defeat.

El Caballero would like to salute Mr. Eastman and his defeat of the school measures as another victory for half-truths, lies, bigotry, and selfish endeavors. It is rewarding to see such victories at a time when, as both presidential candidates realized, the United States needs the full cooperation of everyone if it is to advance in the world; at a time when tomorrow's leaders are being trained in today's schools.

Finally there are many benefits that Mr. Eastman's action has gotten us. El Caballero would like to thank Mr. Eastman for these benefits too. They are split or double sessions in the secondary school district; loss of many of our top teachers; elimination of athletics, student government, and other student activities; and a minimum education. El Caballero wants Mr. Howard Eastman to know how much we owe him for obtaining these benefits for us.

For one thing we have tried in the past to let the students in on activities. We tried to tell Juniors that we needed help on the float and to please get in touch with the chairman. About four or five people showed up who were not on central. Also, we clearly stated that we needed help in decorating for the Junior Prom, which was not thrown together at the last minute, but planned since the summer. The turnout for this was also poor. We had a sign-up list for a cake sale. Forty people signed up and six cakes were brought.

However, we are not giving up hope.

We will try with new interest and enthusiasm to make the class feel that we are not a self centered clique but a group who, given a little support, will gladly work for you. This is why we were elected. Starting next week, the minutes from our meetings will be posted on the bulletin board, so everyone can know just what is going on. Also, if there are any questions or problems you may have, talk to someone on central. We'll be glad to give you information.

Support us and we'll make this the best Junior Class El Cerrito ever had.

Sincerely, Jeff Weinerman
Jr., Class President

LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

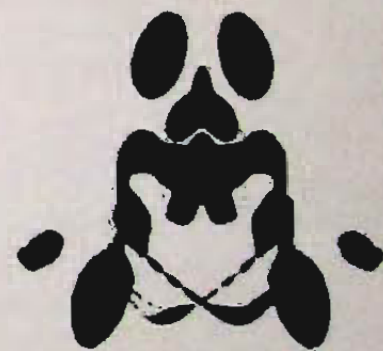
Library gripe

IT'S GETTING SO LATELY at our school that when one enters the library he has an 80% chance of getting removed from the premises or not having sufficient time to do his studying everytime that he goes in.

The library is for the students, and I believe, getting to the point of this letter that the library should stay open earlier in the mornings.

The point about instant dismissal from the library has been getting growing attention from many of the students lately also. The library maintains a current policy that anyone "goofing-off" in there must go out; this seems like a fair policy. But the persons or person we have working in the library over the policy. During an average lunch period I have seen many persons, at least 20, be asked to leave there. It is my opinion, and I believe that I have many backing students on this, that many of these instances can be avoided if the library will be a little more courteous to the students who are asked to leave. Remember what happened last year? There was a run on the library and the shelves were bare at the end of 5th period lunch....shall we have this happen again?

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Now that football is on its way out, another sport takes the spotlight at El Cerrito. It's the start of the basketball season. In an interview with Coach Paul Parker, head Coach of the basketball team, he explained the strengths and weaknesses of each team in the league.

The returning lettermen from last year are Jim Poshard, Ell Cain, Cliff Anderson, Norman Olson and John Lowe. Because of his foot injury, Frank Lacy will be unable to compete, and Don Carpenter hasn't the time this year because of his many school activities.

At the time of the interview, Coach Parker wasn't sure of the lineups for the Junior and Frosh-Soph teams, but he commented that there are some promising Sophomores. As for the varsity lineup, the Coach isn't sure about that either. He stated that he will try variations of players until he has a smooth working team.

Alameda will be fairly strong until midterm, when they will lose two starters.

Berkeley will not be as strong as last year, but have two first string players returning.

De Anza will have back three first stringers.

Ells' Junior Varsity of last year will build up this year's team. However, it will be a small speedy team without Tom Cousey.

Encinal didn't lose much from last year. Four first string lettermen will be returning.

Richmond will have two re-
turning lettermen from their
first team.

Finally, San Leandro, whose team is unknown in this league because of the fact that they are new this year.



Robin Berry and Wayne Aarniokoski shown rushing Alameda player at the El Cerrito-Alameda game.

by Sue Van Buskirk

The game opened with Alameda kicking off to El Cerrito's George Muedeking. It was a tough and go struggle until El Cerrito had the misfortune to fumble and lose the ball to Alameda on the El Cerrito 36 yard line.

Alameda's first touchdown came from a 49 yard pass from Rusty Slater to John Adams, who made a 15 yard run. Jerry Ortiz made the P.A.T. This made the score in the middle of the first quarter, Alameda 7, El Cerrito 0. The quarter ended with the ball on the El Cerrito 40 yard line with a first in 10 for El Cerrito, and the score still Alameda 7, El Cerrito 0.

The second quarter began with a completed pass from Kayfes to Glibe.

El Cerrito's first touchdown was made by end, George Muedecking, who caught a 17 yard pass from Rich Kayfes. At this time, El Cerrito had made 70 yards in 9 plays. The P.A.T., made by tackle Jim Kinnison, evened the score in the middle of the second quarter to, Alameda 7, El Cerrito 7.

Just as the time elapsed at the end of the quarter, El Cerrito had another streak of bad luck. Adams passed to Slater who found an opening between the converging Gauchos. He made the touchdown from 15 yards out, although he must have run 50 in his frantic effort to escape being tackled.

Towards the end of the third quarter, Jerry Ortiz, a fast and powerful player, broke loose from a group of eight Gauchos to make a 35 yard run for Alameda's third touchdown. His kick made it 21 to 7. This drive, which carried 51 yards in three plays, resulted from a fourth down two to go situation for El Cerrito, with the ball on the 50 yard line.

Still undiscouraged, the gritty Gauchos struck back and scored its second touchdown near the beginning of the fourth quarter. Rich Kay-fes, quarterback, reversed to halfback Dave Thurm, who in turn threw a 17 yard pass to end Bill Landstra, who caught the pass in the end zone. Tackle Jim Kinnison was made his second point from placement for the P-A-T. The score now was Alameda 21. El Cerrito 14.

The Hornets took the lead again, however, and made 65 yards in 13 gruelling plays. Sparked by the driving runs of halfback, Al Dart and fullback John Adams, the Hornets wound up on El Cerrito's 26 yard line with a third down. Making their final touchdown, Al Dart then broke around the left side and weaved his way into the end zone with 2 1/2 minutes left to play. His touchdown was the clincher, although his P.A.T. attempt was blocked by El Cerrito's Randy Kettlinski.

Although the Hornets' might, speed and power proved too much for the Gauchos, the Hornets lost 190 yards in penalties, whereas the Gauchos lost only five. The plucky Gauchos made a thrilling fight of it before being defeated by the superior team.

The El Cerrito basketball season got under way on November 23 with a rather slow game against Oakland Technical High School. Oakland Tech, won the game but the score itself, which was 37 to 27, shows that both teams need a bit of seasoning.

There were quite a few reasons why El Cerrillo didn't win the game. First of all, Oakland Tech's gym is comparable to a wine cellar, when compared with the lighting and size of El Cerrito's gym. Under such circumstances, the team doesn't do as well. Also, the Gauchos hadn't practiced enough together with the football players, who just finished the football season. The team, with a little more practice, will have a good chance for the league lead this year, however.

Awards will be given to the outstanding players in G.A.A. during family night December 7.

The awards will go to the players who have shown the best ability in the sport in which

they have participated. Elizabeth Johnson will receive an award in Beginning Tennis. Nancy Carter will receive an award in Trampoline. Peggy Webber, Beginning Tennis, Linda Phillippe Archery, Violet Ferguson, Softball, and Sally Smith and Lynn Wehrle, Advanced Tennis.

The program for this year's family night includes a Volleyball game, and free play in Badminton, Volleyball and Trampoline. Joanne Fritz, President of Block "C", will give the Welcoming speech, which will be followed by the Awards. Installation of officers will be given by Nancy Hurd.

We all like to praise our Frosh-Soph team for the fine examples of playing they have given us in the last two years, although in some games the team just doesn't seem to have the spark that they have in other games. This happened in the game played a week ago last Wednesday when they played Alameda. In the second quarter the Ganchos seemed to have trouble with their blocking, running, and tackling.

Part of this down fall could have been that one of the leading ground gainers, Dennis Kelly, was injured early in the second quarter. Another thing the team was not used to was the 90 yard playing field. One thing although it didn't have any thing to do with the players but could have changed the outlook of the game was the time keeper. I don't believe he could tell time.

The referee at one time asked him how much time was left in a certain quarter. The time keeper's prompt reply was two minutes and 61 seconds.