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Christmas

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Honor Society Taps Two

The Honor Society is a well-known organization. Entrance into the Honor Society requires a 90 average, and exceptional qualities. Each year two inductions into the Society take place in fall and spring.

During the latter part of

Christmas Program Celebrates Holiday

Tech's annual Christmas program will be given today, December 21. The Chorus, under the direction of Mr. Marsh, will render several vocal selections, and the second year speech students will present "Christmas at Greccio", a one act play written by Sister Mary Frances. The play is directed by Steve Wright, and all of the scenery was made by the students in the speech class. "Christmas at Greccio" is the story of the first popular Christmas Crib, which was set up in a cave on Mt. Greccio by St. Francis of Assisi on December 24, 1223.

The play, while telling the story of the first crib, also deals with the lives of several people. This seasonal drama is a story of the true meaning of Christmas.

Characters include St. Francis of Assisi, Dan Smith; Brother John, Dennis Nixon; Sir Velita, Byron Stafford; Lady Giacomina, Jo Lynn Curry; Pacifica, Mary Ann Boughten; Amata, Sandy Cahall; Anthony, Rocky Jennings; Mariano, Brenda Walls; Beppi, Shirley Beavon; The Crowd, Harold Cornelius, Jane Brewer, Jean DeWeiss.

fifth period, on December 7, Glenda Dearing and Shirley Chu were tapped in class by the members of the Honor Society to complete the fall induction. The Guidance office served as the setting for an informal ceremony in which the new members were pledged.

President Annell Archer welcomed Mr. Bourne, Mr. Wilhelm, new sponsor of the honor society, Miss Kelly, and Mrs. McHaffie. Other guests included David Swindle, Kenny Xiques, Kay Crawford, Peggy Kisner, Beverly Oswalt, and Judy Beasley. Speeches on the perspectives of the Society, and the lighting of candles symbolizing scholarship, leadership, character, and service climaxed the ceremony.

Techites Support J.A. Businesses

Several Techites have been elected to offices in businesses. They are:

Mona L. Austin, Treasurer of JA National Bank; Linda Baker, President of JA National Bank; Anne Kelso, Vice President of Sales, Jabco; Carolyn J. McDavid, Treasurer of Bru-Ja-Co; Bobby Morris, Vice President of Production, Tri-Co; Johnny H. Rea, President of Bel-Jac; Reta Wright, secretary of Chopco.

Letters From Vietnam

Letters from Viet Nam this month proved that Tech's generosity toward U. S. soldiers in that country was greatly appreciated. Seven letters arrived at Tech last week. They are in the Guidance Office where anyone may read them.

Excerpts from these letters are printed here, while another letter is printed entirely in Letters to the Editor on the second page.

These men express the gratitude of entire companies who benefited from Tech's gifts.

Psg. Bobby G. Williams writes,

"... It is a wonderful feeling when you realize that your own family is not the only ones in the states that realize that we are over here. The combat troops sometimes get the feeling that no one really cares what he is doing or what happens to him." Bobby continues his letter with another request: "... Not that we have not received enough from Tech, but I will ask one more thing. I will ask each student attending school to try his best to complete high school and college. Twelve years ago I quit school to go to work. Ten years ago I joined the Army. Every day since I have been in the Army I have kicked myself for not completing school. The Army, like any civilian job wants people with education. In order to compete with all other

personnel, I have had to take many night courses. These courses help, but as you can see by this letter I am greatly lacking in English."

May God Bless You

Psg. Bobby G. Williams
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Another soldier, Pfc. Danny Cornett, expressed his thanks also: "Hi, and thanks to everyone of you for thinking of us. ... We are fighting to make people free so they can live and worship as they please.

I am 19 years old, and I know what has to be done."

Yours truly

P.F.C. Danny Cornett
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P.S. If anyone would like to write me, I will answer every letter.

Thirty-four names were signed to a joint letter from the members of the first platoon Co. C. 2nd Battalion (Airborne), 327th Infantry, 101 Airborne Div. They say, "We feel that you have demonstrated to us that you understand our situation and will cooperate with everything we do."

Merry Christmas To All



Mr. Bourne cheerfully joined in the Christmas spirit to pose as Santa Claus and to wish everyone at Tech a happy holiday season.



Annell Archer, Senior beauty, joins Mary Hogue, last year's beauty queen, as she crowns Joan McCommon 1965-66 Queen of the Annual Beauty Review. Not pictured are Mary Ann Boughton, Junior beauty, and her 1st and 2nd alternates, Judy Maxey and Kay Crawford. Sophomore beauty was Cathi Spenser; 1st and 2nd alternates were Cathy Green and Janet Ross. Senior alternates were Paula Whitten and Linda Wilbanks.

Student Goodfellows Contribute Food, Funds For Needy

Student generosity helped ten families celebrate Thanksgiving. Donations exceeded \$138, a large portion of which was contributed by Couch Wright's senior boys. Miss Linder's junior boys placed second in contributions, while Mr. Cummings' junior boys and Miss Lee's senior girls tied for third place.

Quantities of food were purchased with the funds and taken to the needy families.

Students are planning similar contributions for the Christmas season.

This custom of giving creates junior Goodfellows who obviously continue it after they leave school. The present chief of the Memphis Goodfellows, Louis Young, is a graduate of Tech, as was last year's chief Goodfellow, Denly Brandon. The Goodfellow organization collects money and food to distribute to the needy at Christmas.

Tech's art department is an annual part of the Goodfellow campaign. For over 25 years Tech's art students have been decorating the windows of the Goodfellow offices on Monroe.



Coach Wright's senior boys exhibit enthusiasm as they contribute \$50 toward the Thanksgiving Basket.

Editorials . . .

Gifts Of Winter

"Winter is the worst season of the year" . . . is a well-known quote. To many people, Winter is a period which brings colds and viruses. It swoops upon us freezing ponds and stifling all the leafiness of Summer. It is a time when creatures hibernate, and birds migrate in order to escape the bitter cold. Indeed, it seems that all of Mother Nature's activities pause at the coming of Winter.

We are accustomed to consider Winter the grave of a year, but it is not so in reality. Winter is as pleasant as Summer in her prime. His presence is known everywhere -- in the crispness of the air, the diamond-like dew drops shimmering in the early sun, and the occasional blanket of snow, which covers the earth transforming the surrounding land into a soft, white world.

Finally, there is one more lovely thing about Winter-- he brings Christmas. Through the early weeks of December the anticipation of the forthcoming festival infuses a spirit of jollity into everything and binds humanity together. Christmas is the most pleasant day of the whole year. On that day we think tenderly of friends far and near; we strive to forgive injuries; we look forward to beginning the new year with trust that our prospective chapter of life will contain more notable incidents and less mistakes.

True Spirit Of Giving

Many of us hurry and scurry through our Christmas shopping, and we do not truly realize the meaning or significance of giving and receiving gifts at Christmas.

The idea of giving gifts originated at the birth of Christ. After Christ's birth, the Wise Men from the East came with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Ever since that day, people all over the world have exchanged gifts at Christmas. There is a deep significance which has developed from the idea of exchanging gifts. Christ was a heaven sent gift to earth. A person should give willingly as a reminder of the great generosity of God.

Another significant idea behind giving and receiving is learning to practice the art of self-sacrifice. Many people must sacrifice something in order to buy gifts for our loved ones. A worth while gift is one where sacrifices are made. It is not the gift, but the spirit of the giver that is so important. A good rule to shop by and live by is from the Bible. It says, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

The First Christmas

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

(And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.)

And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, (because he was of the house and lineage of David;)

To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flocks by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

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WELL, I SUPPOSE "ANYTHING" OTHER THAN RED WILL DO.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I am writing to obtain some very valuable information. But, I'm not so sure I know how to ask it. You see, it concerns a very touchy subject. This subject has been under hot debate all over the world, and I'm afraid that if I ask it there will be many tears shed. However, I think it's high time somebody settled this dispute forever. Is there, what I mean to say is, Could there be, well you know, Is there such a person as Santa Claus?

Young At Heart

Dear Young at Heart,

We, the editors, feel that this question of such a serious nature can be answered best by your mother. Ask her, she knows best.

The Editors

Dear Faculty and Students,

I would like to personally thank each and everyone for your wonderful support. Yesterday we received three

large boxes from Memphis with dozens of packages.

My men probably had more fun opening your gifts than any others they have received. To say the least we aren't enjoying the better things of life, but it is acts like yours that make this war seem useful. Until you see the poverty and despair in these villages controlled by the VC, you cannot appreciate how lucky we are in the United States.

Most of my men and I are career soldiers, and I know we'll go anywhere to fight for our country as long as we never have to fight a battle in San Francisco. We must protect our way of life, because there are many who would strip us of everything if they have the chance.

First Lt. Richard Pauley
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S.F.

Jacket, Our Man At North Pole, Saves Santa

By Dan Smith

It was just one week till Christmas, and everyone at Tech was anxious for the holidays to begin. Jimmy was summoned to a conference by the buzzer signal in his Senior Class ring early one afternoon.

"Jimmy," said the deep voice from behind the large desk, "we have a tough one for you this time. We got a flash message from our man at the North Pole. Santa Claus has been kidnapped and is being held for ransom."

Jimmy sat quietly for a moment studying the man's stern face. "What do I have

to go on?" he asked calmly.

"Well, not much really. It seems that he was ambushed while taking his regular afternoon sleigh ride. Here are your plane tickets; you leave immediately. Oh! Jimmy, missing this week may mean giving up your straight 'A' average in Senior English."

"Easy come, easy go," he said shruggingly.

All the children are depending on you, Jimmy, to get Santa Claus back in one piece. I suggest when you get there you start with his wife and find out what she knows.

After an uneventful plane ride and a chilly but somewhat boring dog sled ride, Agent double - 0 zero arrived at Santa Claus' country

house just a few hundred yards south of the North Pole. Upon knocking at the door, he was greeted by a jolly, little middle-aged woman with a cheerful smile.

"I've come to locate your husband for you, Mrs. Santa Claus," said Jimmy.

"Well good, perhaps Rudolph can assist," she said kindly. She took him up to Rudolph's room where the poor wretched reindeer was shedding an ocean of sad tears. Jimmy tried to cheer up the poor creature. "Hiya! fella! What's the problem?" Rudolph just sighed unhappily.

"Do you think you could find Santa Claus with your famous nose?" asked Jimmy in a businesslike manner.

"Oh! Yes I could!"

chanted the reindeer hopefully. And off they went.

Rudolph led Jimmy some miles from Santa's house to a small dark grove of trees. Here the reindeer shuffled around for some time, sniffing the ground.

Finally, he stopped at a large tree. Jimmy produced a small J.A. Brand miniature machine gun and approached slowly. A sliding door in the tree trunk opened and ruffians stepped out. Jimmy effectively cut down three of them with his gun and almost did the same to Santa when he came out. Everyone jogged merrily homeward. Besides, Jimmy still had his English average and was also back in a warm climate again of only 20 degrees.

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Second Honor Roll Listed

First honors require a majority of A's, while the second honor roll demands no less than a B. On the honor roll for the second six weeks, Sophomores showed superiority over the two other classes by eight first honor roll students and ten pupils on the second honor roll. Juniors and Seniors followed respectively with five and seven highest honors and ten and eight honor students.

SENIORS:

First Honors:

Lorraine Hall, Shirley Chu, Joan McCommon, Edward Skinner, Jan Stafford, Glenda Dearing, Beverly Oswalt.

Second Honors:

Mary Alice Beasley, Susan Woodley, David Swindle, Annell Archer, Frances Starnes, Gwen Simpson, Diana Wilson, Wanda Kennedy.

JUNIORS:

First Honors:

Karen Andre, Janet Brandon, Kay Crawford, Sherry McEwen, John Sorrell.

Second Honors:

Bill Gary, Danny Stanford, Diane Davis, Lynn Hale, Carol Hart, Peggy Kisner, Kenny Xiques, Margaret Padgett, Jo Lynn Curry, Judy Beasley.

SOPHOMORES:

First Honors:

Linda Yvonne Smith, Sandra Goggins, Shirley Hyde, Bonnie Tyler, Beverly Stussy, Sandra Jolly, Kathy Green, Judith Harris.

Second Honors:

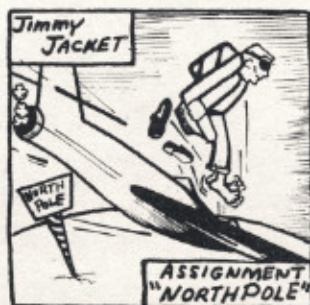
Pamela S. Miller, Janet Ross, Peggy Blankenship, Dale Steward, Martha Landrum, Dianne McDonald, Brenda F. Davis, Virginia Douglas, Linda Duncan, Willard Eric Johnson.

Everyone should give every gift lovingly. Not because you think it is proper, but because Christ wants us to, for they shall come back many fold."

No matter what the holiday calendar holds in store for you, always remember,

"Safety first". Returning home safely to your loved ones is one of the best Christmas presents that they can ever receive from you.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all, from the Faculty, the Yellowjacket Staff, and the Review Staff of Tech High.





December Talented Techites inspect Buddy Tucker's report card for the second six weeks. They are: from (l-r) James Swain, Betty Brown, and Buddy Tucker.

Club Formed

SCIENCE CLUB

A new club is being organized at Tech. Its purpose is to stimulate students' interest in science.

The Science Club has met three times and has elected the officers for '65-'66. They are: President, David Swindle; Vice-President, Mickey Jones; Secretary, Florence Blackwell; Treasurer, Patti Swindle; Reporter, Shirley Chu, and Librarian, Bill Hardy.

Students taking any of the three branches of science or math are invited to join.

SECRETARIAL CLUB

Observing the holiday, the Secretarial Club sold Christmas cards. They plan to use part of the money to send baskets of fruit to the Shelby County Old Folks Home.

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Christmas Gift Under Wraps

By Dallas Ward

Many people never stop to think of Christmas from my point of view; after all, I'm just an article to be purchased, wrapped, and toted about. That is exactly what happens to millions of us every year. It doesn't make any difference what we are. We're laid out on a counter for inspection by those dirty fingered, sticky handed humans, tossed about, by-passed, smothered and wrinkled. Then, all of a sudden, a scream of glee, and we're yanked - up and grabbed by a sales person, written - up as a purchase, wrapped in paper, boxed, and toted all over creation. So one can't imagine the horrible, frightening things we go through in those packages. We're stacked on top of each other or thrown in a bag,

jiggled around while those dumb, inconsiderate humans walk around in a daze. When sometimes dropped, we are snatched up and thrown back in place for the remainder of the long and weary journey. And taken home by humans, we're hidden in a dark, musty closet, stashed under a bed, or slyly put away in some forgotten place until Christmas.

I guess it is really worth it in the end. The day finally comes when we're carefully arranged under the gaily decorated Christmas tree. Then, one by one, we are given out to some happy human as a present. When they open us, it is a pleasure to see the look of joy on a person's face, and knowing they are happy, we are happy too!

This is what it is really like to be one of those curious looking, gaily packaged bundles one sees at Christmas time. Of course, it is my luck some little monster will get his chocolate covered, grimy hands on me; and of course I am a breakable toy. Doesn't that just beat all?

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JAMES SWAIN

James Swain, Senior Talented Techite has truly been an asset to Tech the past three years in academic, athletic, and extra - curricular activities.

James has been a homeroom officer all three years. He is now serving the Key Club as their treasurer. James was a candidate for Senior Class President, for T and I Club President, and Student Council Sgt - at - Arms. He was a starter on the football team in his sophomore and junior year, and he was on the track team last year. The wonderful and thorough job of bringing the sports of Tech to you is mainly due to the efforts of James, in his role as sports reporter for The Yellowjacket.

James plans to attend C.B.C. or Georgia Tech and continue studying math which is presently his major. Besides taking math to get a major, James enjoys it. Last year he was one of the three chosen to participate in the math contest at Southwestern.

BETTY BROWN

Although Techite Betty Brown is just a junior, her contributions to Tech are already very numerous. Snowden was Betty's choice of

junior highs, and Tech was very fortunate when she chose it as her high school.

Her growing popularity was shown when she was elected vice-president of her Sophomore Class and homeroom Student Council Representative and Reporter. This year, as last year, she added to her achievements as homeroom Reporter and a candidate for the Presidency of the Junior Class.

Music and modeling are two of Betty's favorite pastimes. She has been taking piano for ten years and is now the accompanist for Mr. Marsh and the chorus. Betty's modeling talent can be seen every month when she models for Levy's fashion shows as Tech's Young Independent Fashion Advisor.

Betty plans to attend college after graduation. Although her exact choice of colleges is undecided, she does plan to major in music. In the future, you're sure to hear more from Betty in the field of music, as she plans to make a career in this field.

BUDDY TUCKER

Mention the word "art" around Memphis art award circles and Buddy Tucker's name is sure to be mentioned. Buddy, the Yellowjacket's Talented Techite, has a numerous list

of achievements in art.

His art career started in junior high, at Bellevue. He studied art under the direction of Miss Mary Rachel Morris. During this time, he was awarded five gold keys, a local award given by the National Scholastic Magazine, and a plaque of recognition in the national competition of National Scholastic Magazine; second place was won in the Crime Prevention Contest, for which he received a \$25 savings bond, also Buddy placed second in the local Clean-Up, Paint-Up, Fix-Up, picture contest. This year, while under the direction of Mr. Plaggio, Buddy won second and third place prize at the Mid-South Fair.

Besides being an enthusiastic artist, Buddy is also active in other school work. Buddy ran for Student Council Representative and participated in the candy drive.

Buddy's talents are not limited to art. His dramatic abilities were witnessed by everyone who saw the Speech Department's play, "Shall We Join The Ladies." At Speedway Baptist, where he is an active member, he has appeared in two church plays.

Buddy's major is art, of course, and he plans to be a commercial artist.

Sophomores Elect Their '65-66 Class Officers



The new officers of the sophomore class are meeting for the first time with their sponsor, Miss Jenkins. Cathi Spencer, secretary, takes notes as the other officers discuss their school year plans. The officers are from (l-r) Jane Hefley-reporter; Ruth Payne - Treasurer; Cathi Spencer - secretary; John Smith - president; John Waits - vice president; and Carol Wilkerson - student council representative.

Tech's 1965-66 Sophomore class has begun its organization under the sponsorship of Miss Jenkins, sophomore English teacher. Officers have been elected and have already met once.

Chosen as president was John Smith, a graduate of Bellevue Jr. High. While at Bellevue, John lettered

in football, track, and tennis. His hobbies consist of sports, especially skating and music.

Vice President of the class is John Waits. At Sherwood, he was a member of a tumbling team which won two gymnastic meets at Memphis State. John's interests include model ship building and art. He is majoring in Commercial Art at Tech.

Cathi Spencer, sophomore class secretary, attended Snowden Jr. High, where she was captain of the cheerleaders. At Tech she is president of her homeroom, and was recently selected Sophomore beauty in the annual beauty review.

She plans a medical career

Sophomore treasurer, Ruth Payne, comes to Tech from Longview Jr. High, where she was president of her homeroom. She was a candidate in the Beauty Review. Like Cathi Spencer, Ruth also hopes to attend U.T. and go into medicine.

Also from Longview is Carol Wilkerson, student council representative. A class officer during all three years at Longview Carol lists her hobbies as swimming, fishing and football. Jane Hefley is Tech's sophomore reporter. Her hobbies include sports, skating and dancing. Jane is a graduate from Hollywood Jr. High School.

Spirited Pep Club Cheers On Team

By Maxine McKinney

"Two bits, four bits, six bits, a dollar. All for Tech High stand up and holler." Standing up and hollering the loudest is Tech's blue clad pep club. They have practiced hard to make their cheers loud and clear.

Each morning before a game, the pep club meets in the school auditorium to review old cheers and learn new ones. Thus, they are able to better support the team and the cheerleaders.

Always in the front row at every game and pep rally, these enthusiastic girls bolster the yells of the cheerleaders and heighten the spirit of the team and its fans. It is always easier to cheer if someone else cheers with you.

For the past two years, Mrs. Hartwell has been sponsor of the club. She praises her group and its purpose: "Win or lose, the pep club is always behind the team."

Other strong advocates of the club are DeDe Rives, club president, and Janie Hankins, secretary-treasurer. DeDe says, "Now that football season is almost over, the girls are making plans to support the basketball team by our presence at the games."

Club members can be recognized by their bright blue uniforms which they wear to the ball games. These outfits have A-line skirts and vests which are worn with white blouses.

Through the pep club a girl can show her interest in her school.

Membership is the first requirement for becoming a cheerleader. However, Miss Wood, supervisor of the cheerleaders, stresses that merely belonging is not enough. Regular attendance at the games is mandatory, and a good character and a B average make up the other requirements for cheerleaders.

'65 - '66 SCHEDULE

Jan. 4 Catholic High Away
Jan. 7 Westside High Away
Jan. 11 Frayser High Home
Jan. 14 Trezevant High Home
Jan. 18 Humes High Away
Jan. 21 Central High Away
Jan. 25 South Side High Away
Jan. 28 Catholic High Home
Feb. 1 Westside High Home
Feb. 4 Frayser High Away
Feb. 7 Trezevant High Away
Feb. 9 Humes High Home
Feb. 11 Central High Home
Feb. 15 South Side High Home

Wayne, Our Karate Expert

Wayne Johnson, a Tech senior, has captured his first degree Brown Belt in the art of Karate.

Wayne started Karate after reading an article in the Commercial Appeal. The article was about a Karate class which was going to open at a Y.M.C.A. here in town, by Mr. Kange Rhee, who has a fifth degree Black Belt in Karate. Wayne enrolled and within 3 1/2 months he had his first belt, the Green Belt. Approximately four months later and with lots of hard work, Wayne received the first degree Blue Belt.

On Sept. 4th the Karate School made an appearance at Fort Worth, Texas in the All-American Karate Championships. In this tournament Wayne managed to rank in the top eighteen out of a 132 entries, in the Blue Belt competition.

Shortly after the tourna-

ment the Karate School moved to a new location at 1911 Poplar. This was opened by Mr. Kang Rhee and Mr. Kim Young. At this time an exhibition and rank test was given, and Wayne received the first degree Brown Belt.

On Nov. 20th Wayne went to another tournament which was held in Tulsa, Oklahoma. In this tournament he ranked 4th in the Brown Belt competition. He competed against Brown Belts from Texas, Mexico, Louisiana and a few other Mid-Western states. Wayne hopes to achieve his first degree Black Belt within ten months.

Wayne explains why he took Karate. "At first I was interested in Karate only as a hobby, but within two weeks I knew it was to be more than a hobby. Karate to me is as serious as life itself. Through control, balance, and techniques, Karate has developed my mental and physical strength."



The '65-66 Varsity Basketball team: (top row, l-r) Leburn Shartp, Charlie Doyel, Joe Brock, Ray Driggers, Don Miller, Jimmy Dancy, mgr, and coach Ray

Ford. (Bottom row) Stanley Scott, Stanley Fogg, Kenny Xiques, Byron Stafford, Larry Wilson, mgr., and Tommy Woodard, mgr.

Pre-Season Games Try Jacket Team

The first official pre-season game Tech played this year was against Hillcrest, a county school. The Yellowjackets went down in defeat but by only one point 55-56. Ray Driggers, a senior, was high point man for the evening with 17 points.

The following Friday the Yellowjackets met Oakhaven at Oakhaven for their first win of the season. Tech 69-Oakhaven 36, the high point man for Tech was Stanley Scott with 25 points.

Tech downed Collierville in a home game 90-61. Tech high scorer for the evening was Ray Driggers with 19 points.

The Germantown game followed, but Tech couldn't get on top, and the Yellowjackets fell 54-36.

The next Monday was a bad start for the week, with the Kingsbury Falcons downing the Yellowjackets 74-93. Charlie Doyle was top for that game with 35 points.

Friday night, Tech Yellowjackets met the Messick Panthers at Messick. The Jackets couldn't get up and were dropped 58-48 by Messick. Charlie Doyle was high man for Tech with 20 points.

Basketball Season Looks Promising According To Coach Ford And Team

By Bob Zuendel

The football season ended; the Tech High Yellowjackets begin to make preparations for the 1965-66 basketball season. After compiling a record of twenty wins and only seven losses last year, Coach Ray Ford is returning to the court with a young ball team.

Last year's winning season was gained mostly through the efforts of boys we have lost through graduation. I was somewhat pessimistic in my thoughts at the team's chances for a winning season, until I talked to Coach Ford. He has nothing but the highest praise for his boys.

In my interview with Coach Ford, I asked him what he thought about the possibilities of the team and how it compares with the teams he has coached in the past years. I received this reply: "This year's squad has the prospect of being the finest group of boys that I have coached in my tenure at Tech. These boys have the speed, agility and all around desire over any former team. The only drawback to the squad is lack

of experience."

When I asked who was on the starting five I got this reply: "The way things stand right now I'm not really sure. I may not decide until the last few minutes before a game. I have so many fine boys who are trying for the starting roles."

I asked Coach the names of some of the varsity players and their specialties, and these following boys are just a few of the ones he mentioned.

Stanley Scott, 5' 11", 145 lbs. Guard. "This boy is a good offensive player and handles the ball well."

Charley Doyle, 6' 3", 175 lbs. Forward. "He is a strong player on both offense and defense. He is quick and aggressive."

Leburn Sharp, 5' 11", 175 lbs. Forward. "Leburn Sharp is a steady player who always seems to be on the alert."

Kenny Xiques, 6', 140 lbs. Guard. "Kenny is the shooter for the team. He has a good eye and has seemed to have mastered the Twenty-footer."

Ray Driggers, 6' 3", 165 lbs. Forward, and Byron Stafford, 5' 7", 145 lbs.

Center. "These two boys are the real leaders and hustlers of this year's team."

After talking to Coach, I figured that I should give the players equal time to get their views on the team.

Byron Stafford--"I think we will come out better than last year's team."

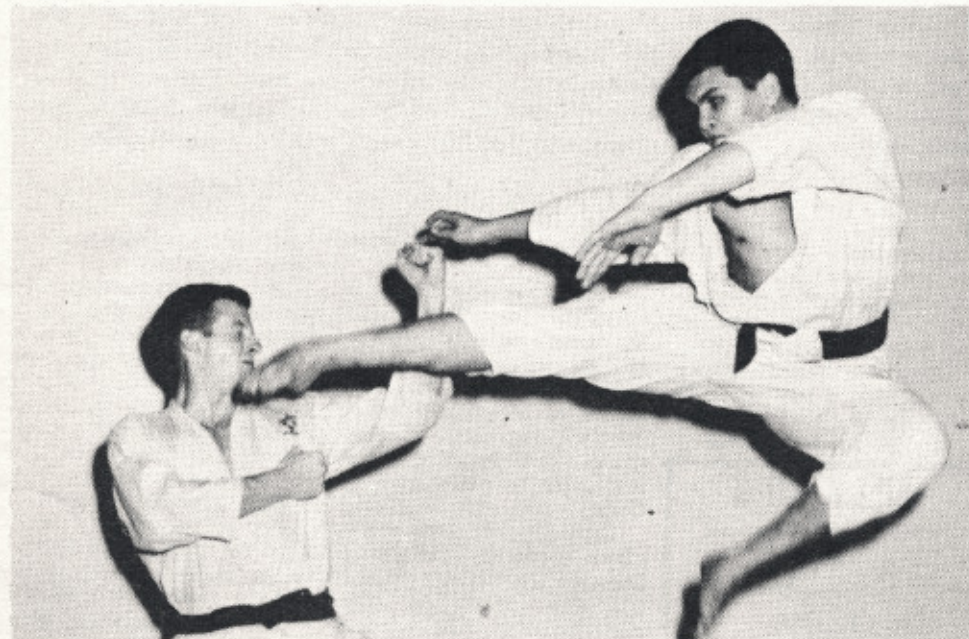
Stanley Scott--"We have a lot of potential and plenty of good boys."

Charley Doyle--"We're gonna win because we hate to run."

Ray Driggers--"It's the best team we've had in years. If we all put out one hundred per cent, we will have a good season."

Leburn Sharp--"This team has more desire than any other team I have ever played for at Tech."

There is one thing, however, that has Coach Ford worried, and it is not the team. It is the student body and their support. Coach made this comment on the subject: "Up until this year, the team support has been great, but something happened, and no team feels like trying to win if no one cares." Take the hint. All right?



Wayne Johnson demonstrates the jumping side kick during one of the classes at the Oriental Center, where Wayne both learns and teaches Karate.



Under hot lights, Thespian Club members participate in "Shall We Join the Ladies." Members of Sam Smith's unusual dinner party are: (l-r) Jane Brewer, Byron Stafford, Dennis Nixon, James Keel, Joan McCommon, Steve Wright, Kay Crawford, Curtis Fields, Jo Lynn Curry, Malcolm (Buddy) Tucker, Kathy Jordon, Jan Stafford, John Pilkington and Cathi Spencer.