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Photo by Jay Rury

PICKED AMONG WHO'S WHO in American high schools are these five. Left to right, they are Larry Collins, Michael Lee, Patricia Enright, Dennis Miller, and Gary Stayer.

## Five Sunsetters Chosen In Nation's 'Who's Who'

Five Sunset seniors have been selected for the membership in Who's Who in American High Schools for 1968-1969.

Those who received this honor are Larry Collins, Patricia Enright, Mike Lee, Dennis Miller, and Gary Stayer.

In addition to recognition in the Who's Who book, the students are also eligible to compete for one of ten \$400 scholarship awards sponsored by the Merit Publishing Company.

They received this high honor for their high placement in national scholarship and awards competition.

The book is an annual publication devoted to honoring outstanding graduating high school seniors throughout the nation. Only students who have demonstrated leadership in the fields of academics, activities, athletics, and awards competition are chosen for this honor. Less than 3 per cent of the graduating seniors in the nation are selected for this recognition every year.

## Talent for Senior Day Sought; Musical Groups Preferred

Tryouts for the entertainment portion of Senior Day are scheduled for Wednesday, April 30, 3:45 p. m. in the auditorium.

Originally, the rules and regulations for tryouts were devised by the Student Council of 1961. Judging will be done on a point system basis. Originality, interest, presentation, and good taste

will each be allotted 10 points.

Mr. Harold Filgo, principal, will select six members of the senior planning committee to serve as judges. Also six faculty members will be chosen to judge the tryouts.

Musical numbers are preferred, and any senior, whether individual or groups, wanting to participate in Senior Day may try out. Every act must have a faculty sponsor. A total of 45 minutes will be used for the Talent Show.

Mr. Earl Greathouse is in charge of the Senior Day entertainment. However, he will not judge the tryouts. He commented, "The object of this entertainment is to upgrade the school, and not to downgrade it."

## Grad Receives National Award For Sports Pic

Cody Curry, Sunset graduate of 1967, now attending North Texas State University, received a certificate of merit after submitting a sports photograph to the American College Public Relations Association Southwest District meet in Santa Fe.

Cody's unusual photo showed an opposing player's foot dwarfing the NTSU basketball teams full-court press and earned the first such award for the university.

The ex-Bison, now working on the NTSU yearbook, was staff photographer for the Stampede and Sundial 1964 to 1967. Cody's two younger twin brothers Lynn and Larry are presently juniors at Sunset.

## Speakers to Enter NFL Contest Today, Friday, Saturday

Sunset will enter the National Forensic League District Tournament today, Friday, and Saturday at the University of Texas at Arlington in first place for the Sweepstakes Trophy which is awarded to the school with the highest number of sweepstakes points.

Sunset has accumulated 256 sweepstakes points; Hillcrest is second with 248.

A tentative list of entrants has been posted but may change before the tournament begins. Mr. David Moffat chose all entrants.

In extemporaneous speaking Dennis Miller and Mark Stewart will compete in the boys' division while Glenda McDonald, Dorothy Alvis, and Cathy Trull will compete in the girls' division.

Three girls will compete in the mixed division of dramatic interpretation. Annette Renner, Allatia Harris, and Kathi Church have been chosen.

Ronnie DeFate and Tim Herron will compete in original oration completing the individual events section.

Two debate teams have been chosen, including Dennis Miller

and Ronnie DeFate and Tim Herron and Mark Stewart. Debate will be cross-examination style, and each team is assured at least two rounds. Beginning with the third round, single elimination begins in which a loss means a team is eliminated from competition.

The student congress delegation will be composed of three members. The possible delegates are Cliff McKenzie, Kathy Kempher, Pat Enright, Mark Powell, John Adams, Jimmy Davis, Larry Duncan, and Dorothy Alvis.

## Spotlight Band To Play Today Here, at DBC

Sunset's Spotlight Band will present a concert for the student body in assembly today.

Under the direction of Mr. David Hooten, the band will play "Invercargill March," "Fortinbras March," from Hamlet, "Suite of Old American Dances," "High School Cadets March," "Die Fledermaus Overture," "American Patrol," "Semper Fidelis," "Ballet Parisien," and "National Emblem March."

Some of the numbers played at the festival, a contest to be held next month for the Dallas area high school bands.

The band will also participate in "Concert on the Mall," sponsored by the Dallas Baptist College today. They will be riding in a bandwagon and playing marches, including some of those on the assembly.

Applicants for drum major and majorettes will be chosen May 2. Applicants are now practicing with this year's officers after school.

## EXCELLED IN SPORTS

## Western Fan Travels Widely, Offers Key to World Problem

By JACK MCCLURE

Would you believe that a certain chemistry teacher enjoys reading and collecting western stories? Mr. Cecil M. Jerden, who is also golf coach, is the owner of many such books he enjoys reading between golf practice, grading chemistry tests, and the 10 p.m. news.

Despite the fact that Mr. Jerden now coaches golf, a position he has held ever since joining the Sunset faculty, he coached football and track in El Paso for 13 years capturing "a few state and regional championships."

Attending high school in Mineral Wells, Mr. Jerden also excelled in track, lettering three years, and football, lettering two years. "I ran the high hurdles in track and played end on the football team," he commented. "I played a trumpet in the band, too."

From Mineral Wells High, Mr. Jerden entered North Texas State University where he received a Bachelor of Science degree. Continuing to run track for N.T.S.U., Mr. Jerden lettered again for three years and held the low and high hurdles record in the Texas Intercollegiate Ath-

letic Association.

After graduation from N.T.S.U., Mr. Jerden continued his education at Southern Methodist University where he received his Master of Education.

What does he spend his time doing now? "I love to travel to see how other people live and why their national personality is like it is," he commented. Though Mr. Jerden showed an interest in all foreign cultures he particularly enjoyed Ireland. "It's a beautiful country," he said.

Mr. Jerden has traveled all over Europe, the Mediterranean, and parts of North Africa. "Understanding other people is the key to world peace," Mr. Jerden concluded.

## Summer School Gives Reading Aid

Students interested in improving their skills in reading, spelling, and other related abilities may enroll in classes of language improvement, to be offered this year in summer school.

Those interested are asked to see their counselors and to register for these, as well as many other available classes.

## Standing Watch in Viet Nam, Marine Remembers Sunset

The following letter was received by Mr. Harold J. Filgo, Sunset principal, last week. We are printing it without comment — believing no comment is necessary.

Dear Sir,  
Thank you for your time be-

## Honor Society Will Install New Members

National Honor Society induction will be held in an assembly Thursday, May 8 at 7:30 p.m.

The induction will be handled by five members of last year's Honor Society. Garnett Kelson, vice-president of last year's society, will be master of ceremonies.

After the four old members have told about the National Honor Society and its qualifications, the 87 new members will take the pledge and sign the Honor Society's registration book.

Following the ceremony there will be a reception in the library honoring the new members.

cause I know you are very busy at this time of the year.

It was real funny, last night while standing watch, soaking wet from rain coming down, all I could think about was good ole Sunset. All about the football games, pep rallies, teachers, etc., everything that makes Sunset the "greatest." All of those and many more are memories I can never forget.

Being an ex-Bison, I would appreciate if you could send me a couple of clippings or school newspapers that I might read about Sunset.

In closing I again say "Thank you," and I have one message to the graduating seniors of 1969: I wish to say congratulations, good luck in the future, and may the good Lord bless each of you always.

Respectfully yours,  
PFC Jack Pettit USMC  
Class of '68

Anyone who might desire to write Jack can use the following address:  
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## Let's Take Up the Slack!

Along with spring comes a growing apathy among students to quit or give up or slack up, not only in school work but also in school activities.

Taking part in school sponsored activities and the achievement that results is what gives Sunset recognition and honor among and above other schools. Also, one not only gains school recognition or glory but also receives self-recognition, which can be important to him in future employment or other placement.

Oddly enough, the argument doesn't terminate there. Not only is there a growing apathy at the end of every year, but also there is a steady increase in non-concern, which seems to accumulate as each year passes. This is evident when clubs are disassembled because there are not enough members and new clubs are never established in their places.

Why does this apathy increase? One logical reason could be that the clubs and ideas behind them are old-fashioned and not appealing. Or it could be that the sponsor is disinterested and doesn't encourage the students. If these be the reasons, we can take steps to remedy these inadequacies. But someone of authority must know the problems before action can be taken.

School is one road that will never be passed again. Once it is over, it is over for good. Why not make the most of it? As some would say in a more contemporary manner, "Do your own thing." Everyone has his own "bag"—but whatever it is—do it!

## Just a Word of Thanks

Are you expecting a list of complaints concerning students' attitudes because of Spring fever? Perhaps you think that we are going to attack the administration for some new rule or regulation they have enforced. You are wrong.

This has been a year of change. We have many new administrators in the Dallas Independent School District. We have a new principal. Many of us were disappointed when Mr. Griffin left; yet we have gained great respect for Mr. Filgo. We would like to take this opportunity to express our admiration and appreciation for the work Mr. Filgo has done this year. He never neglects an opportunity to praise the student body for their accomplishments, but we seldom take the time to thank him for his help.

The 1969 Stampede Staff sincerely appreciates the work he has done and as graduating Seniors, we wish him happiness and success in the years to come.

## DUST FROM THE HERD

### Poils, Maybe?... Imprints Speak Nicely of Friends

Seniors in Mrs. Ann Bynum's sixth period English class were submitting their thesis sentences for inspection.

After reading one boy's sentence on pearls, Mrs. Bynum looked up and said, "I think once you learn how to spell pearls, you'll be on your way."

Two Bisons have learned that it can be potentially dangerous to talk on the telephone during a rainstorm. When Kathy Kempher and Dennis Miller were discussing "friends" last Wednesday night, an ancient oak tree in Dennis' back yard split in half, breaking in half the Millers' picnic benches, shattering a bicycle, and falling on a storage shed before hitting their neighbor's fence.

As a result of this event, Dennis has pledged never to talk on the phone during a storm. Superstition is still alive and well in Dallas.

Mr. Watson's second period senior English class was talking about "grottoes," which are imprints in mountains caused by wind and rain.

Lorna Wright, senior, asked

Mr. Watson, "How come they called those New York slums 'grottoes'?"

During Bisonette practice almost anything can happen—and usually does. Coming before school early in the morning, carrying clothes, books, and lunch, Cindy Hornsby suddenly noticed something flying about her. She found that the clothespins had come loose from her hanger and her hose were flying through the air.

Leaving them flying through the air with the greatest of ease, she ran on into practice, hoping no one had seen her. (Expecting spies, Cindy?)

Much is being said and written about the art of self defense for women, but Mr. Cochran related an experience to his fourth period class which sort of reversed the situation.

It was while he was on a trip to the Mardi Gras in New Orleans. He was standing on the sidewalk when a gruff masculine voice said to him, "Get out of my way!" Turning around, Mr. Cochran discovered that the gruff masculine voice



Photo by Jay Rury

To put the shot, first you gotta raise it above the shoulder. Tilden. Right, Don?

## BISONALITIES

### She May Get Draft Card; Cook Them 'Rare' for Don

Blonde, friendly, likeable—and receives mail from the Army or Marines wanting her to "join up."

Know how to put these clues together? It's Tilden Sinclair, of course. "They think Tilden is a boy's name," she explains in amusement, "and I get letters addressed to Mr. Tilden Sinclair all the time."

Tilden, editor of the Sundial, is a Bisonette and a member of the National Honor Society, the Good Scholarship Club, and the Quill and Scroll.

Her likes are Richard, the color yellow, Jaguars (the kind with saguaro or the kind with claws?), Polynesian food (such as the kind at Trader Vie's), her poodle Pom Pom, and the Sundial, naturally. Other interests are art and making things with her hands. As all her friends know, she has one hate—raisins!

One of Tilden's most embarrassing moments occurred when she and Karen Sutherland were driving in Highland Park one night without car lights and had a small hassle with a policeman. Tilden finally talked the officer out of giving a ticket and then as she started to drive away, the Volkswagen wouldn't budge—it was stuck on the curb! The "friendly Highland Park policeman" had to leave his car once more and help start Tilden's car on its way.

Tilden truly enjoys working on the Sundial. "The Sundial has been an interesting experience; there's a lot to it and you learn so much—like how it's put together." Her favorite event at Sunset is Sundial Day. "There's so much excitement, and to me it has more meaning than any of Sunset's traditions."

Tilden plans to enter the University of Texas at Arlington and to go into the interior decorating field. "I've always been interested in decorating; I started collecting pictures of nice looking houses out of magazines when I was a little girl."

Does she have a message to share? "I used to worry about what others think, but now I've found that I shouldn't. Don't worry about what other people think."

"Last summer while bowling I threw the ball too hard and it landed three lanes over. What's

came from a towering Amazonian woman.

Mr. Cochran, knowing he shouldn't strike a woman—especially one four times his size—didn't hesitate. He stepped out of her way and let her pass.

worse, I fell down the lane at the same time!"

Needless to say this proved to be Don Randall's most embarrassing moment!

Don is a two-year letterman on the football team and three in track. He is leading all high school performers in the state in the shot put. He feels his greatest achievement was beating the high school shot put record of the world famous Randy Matson.

Very rare steaks, sports, and of course girls are a few of Don's likes. He dislikes snobby and "grippy" people. His main dislike, however, is "referees in track who don't give you enough time to warm up."

As favorite teachers Don picks Mrs. Iris Farmer and Miss Mae Venable. When asked why, he stated, "Mrs. Farmer because she sends me to the office, and Miss Venable because she's nice."

Don will attend Southern Methodist University on a four-year football scholarship. He plans to major in business and then to live in Dallas.

And Don's greatest wish is for everyone to be happy!

## ROUNDUP

By PATTI RAGLE

The guy who said America has free education must have had gum drops in his Mickey Mouse ears!

Oh, it started out easy enough. In the first grade all you needed was a cheap tablet with wood-chunked pages, a pencil that was bigger than you were, and a flute bag.

But, brother, have things ever changed! Now the students start handing out the cash from the 15 cents they pay to park in the morning to the \$15 they bribe to pass in the spring. Teachers used to have their students copy work on the blackboard. Nowadays, they require him or her to have special workbooks.

The price paid for notebook paper alone is staggering. If every senior donated the amount of money he had spent on paper during his junior and senior high school years, Sunset could probably offer a four-year college scholarship. And if the seniors saved the Aladdin coupons, they could trade them in for the books the scholarships require.

Graduation is a climax rather than a relief from expenses. The parting memories will be dominated with outstretched palms and IOU's. Even if you cut off all the activities, all the clothes, and all your friends' gifts, your diploma still costs you \$2—and it isn't real sheepskin.

A lot of suggestions have been made on the process of obtaining the cash. Some tried xeroxing their money in the library, but the machine used up their profit. Others tried chopping up desks to sell for firewood, but it was too hard to cut through the chewing gum. Some students even tried work!

There's a lot of strain to graduating, emotionally as well as financially. I mean, even the prisoner of Chillon was sad to be free. A lot of seniors feel much the same way about leaving high school. Especially when the process has left them penniless.

## Students Relax in Classroom On Fresh Air and Soft Grass

If you happen to see a group of students sitting on the school lawn this spring, don't panic. It isn't a demonstration; it's merely another class trying to beat the heat by holding classes outside.

No one seems to know who originated the migration, but it is spreading through the school. Now instead of hard, straight desks, the students can relax in the soft grass. Of course there are a few rocks and sticks that make themselves burdensome, but the students don't seem to complain.

Somehow spring fever and

"senioritis" doesn't seem to hurt as bad when relaxing in the fresh air. And poetry isn't nearly as dry as it is in the classroom.

With a little imagination, a class almost becomes a group of philosophers listening to a wise sage. Or at least a bunch of old timers swapping stories at the town square.

Outdoor classes can really break the monotony of the school day for students. It's good for teachers, too. After all, they never catch anyone staring out the window!

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## Pearson to Play Harp In New York Concert

Charlotte Pearson, Sunset senior, one of the 230 high school students selected from the United States, Canada, and Mexico, will play the harp in the "American Youth Performs" orchestra at Carnegie Hall in New York City May 13.

Five other Dallas students also qualified for the concert. Mrs. Marjorie Keeler, instru-

mental music consultant for the Dallas Independent School District, asked eight members of the Dal-Hi Orchestra to audition for the concert by making tape recordings. A 110-piece orchestra and a 120-member chorus were selected from the tapes sent from all over the three nations to the main office of "American Youth Performs."

Participants in the concert will stay in private homes in New York. Charlotte's flight will leave Dallas May 7 and return May 14.

Charlotte began taking harp lessons at the age of 12. She plans to become a professional harpist and to teach in public schools. Next year she will attend North Texas State University and major in music.

Other Dallas students participating in the concert are Helen Roberts, soprano, Kimball; Eugene Stein, first violinist, Hillcrest; Mat Topper, first violinist, Bryan Adams; Chipper Bergeron, cellist, Hillcrest, and Barbara Norton, french horn, Bryan Adams.



PHOTO BY JIM MANUEL  
Charlotte and Her Harp

## BILL HOLLOWAY PLAYS OBOE SOLO WITH SYMPHONY

Senior Bill Holloway played in the Dallas Symphony April 11 at McFarlin Auditorium, with the regular conductor Donald Johoney conducting.

The Sunset oboist played the first movement of Haydn's Oboe Concerto. He had competed with about 30 other students for the honor.

Bill has been playing the oboe for five years and plans to make a career of it. He hopes to attend Boston University.

## 'Dream' Creates Bewitching Events Between Four Lovers

Anything can happen in a dream, especially if it's a "Midsummer's Night Dream", Sunset's one-act play, which was presented to the student body in a play assembly on April 11.

Kathy Burke, portrayed Helena, the Queen, who was bewitched by some magic flowers, and fell in love with Tommy LeMarr (Bottom).

The mischievous Puck, with the most unusual heekle, was played by Bill Dougherty.

Shouts of laughter were heard throughout the auditorium when Robert Trull, Larry Duncan, Tommy LeMarr, and James Dunlap, paraded on the stage dressed in thirteenth century hillbilly attire.

Annette Renner revealed her undying love for Robert Trull. Judy Bridges was in love with Jimmy Davis. However, quarrels erupted when Puck bewitched Jimmy Davis and he fell madly in love with Annette. The lovers' quarrel reaches a climax when Jimmy and Robert have a dramatic sword fight.

King Oberon (John Dunlap)

was responsible for all the bewitching events which were happening to the lovers.

The colorful costumes and masks greatly contributed to the play. The harp, which was played by Charlotte Pearson, created a fantasy atmosphere.

— Nancy Painter

## Dollars Given To Bookworms

Sunset is now observing National Library Week to encourage the use of the library and its facilities.

Each day this week, selections from books have been read over the loudspeaker. The first student to go to the library and identify the book from which the selection was taken and identify its author will receive a dollar bill.

Also it is no longer necessary to report to study hall before going to the library. Students can just fill out library permits in the library.

In 1944-45 Sunset Teams won the city championship in five sports—football, basketball, tennis, golf, and baseball.

## Sunset Falls in Region After Second in District

After winning second in overall points in the district contest, Sunset failed to qualify anyone for the state meet in the Region 11 Interscholastic League literary contests, held at Texas Christian University last Saturday.

Ronnie DeFate and Timothy Herron placed fifth in boys debate. Other Sunset representatives who placed at the regional were Aubrey McIntosh and Kenneth Deen, who placed sixth and tenth, respectively, in science and number sense.

The regional took place a week after Sunset scored second

place in the District 12 meet at W. W. Samuell High. In the district Ronnie and Timothy defeated Kimball to win first place in boys debate. It was the second year in a row that Ronnie was on the winning team against Kimball.

Aubrey McIntosh won first in science, and Kenneth Deen took first in number sense and fourth in slide rule.

Kathy Kempher and Chris Lyons placed third in girls debate after losing to Kimball in the semifinal. The Kimball girls won first in district.

Six second places were won by Sunset speakers. They were Mark Stewart and Glenda McDonald, informative speaking; Dotti Alvis, girls persuasive speaking; Nancy Bersley and Robert Trull, boys and girls poetry reading, respectively; Tommy Lemarr, boys prose reading.

Annette Renner finished third in girls prose reading. Dennis Miller took fourth in boys persuasive speaking. Linda Wilson took a fourth in shorthand, and Mike Carr, sixth in number sense.

## KLUB KAPERS

### Girls Tumble for Teachers

Members of the French Club went ice-skating last Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Fair Park Coliseum.

Art Service students are now making mats for the National Honor Society pictures that will be displayed in the third floor hall. Many are also working on projects for the coming Arts and Crafts Fair.

Three students represented Sunset at the state convention for all medical careers clubs, held in Fort Worth April 11 and 12. The three were Silvia Gonzales, Jennifer Bell, and Donna Reeves. Mrs. Berneda Benson, school nurse and sponsor of the Para-Medical Club, accompanied the girls to the convention.

The Tumblettes completed a workshop April 19 at Southern Methodist University. The work-

shop was designed for teachers, physical education majors, and anyone else interested in watching the performances.

Jay Ashmore, Olympic gymnastic champion, also gave demonstrations at the workshop.

The Latin Club held its annual banquet at the Torch Restaurant April 18. After the dinner, the club went to the theater to see "Ben Hur."

## Two Speech Students Capture Honors in Oratory Contest

Two Sunset speech students, Glenda McDonald and John Adams, won second and third places, respectively, in oratory contests held by local service clubs in the last two weeks.

Glenda, a junior, placed second in the annual oratory con-

test sponsored by the Lions Club. In competing for the \$1000 scholarship offered to the finalists, Glenda won both local and district competition. She lost to a girl from Adamson, however, in the semifinal round.

John, a sophomore, won a third place trophy at the Optimist Club oratory contest held March 31. The contest, open only to boys 16 years of age before January, required that John speak on the topic, "Respect for the Law—the Cornerstone of Citizenship."

Glenda, who spoke on the individual role of the United States citizen, advanced farther than any other student from Sunset in the past 10 years. John duplicated the record of Dennis Miller, who placed third in 1967.

## Bible Credit Exam To Be Given May 1

Bible Credit exams will be taken at Crozier Tech on May 1 beginning at 8:30 a. m.

Students from all over the Dallas area will take these exams in different classrooms.

Outcome of the student's average will determine if any kind of award should be presented. A grade of 90 or above will enable the student to receive the Bible Award.

## Literary, Sports Awards Go To 400 in Apr. 25 Assembly

Close to 400 students of various groups and organizations will receive letter and awards at the first of the awards assemblies Friday. Mrs. Oma Ford is the sponsor of the assembly program.

The awards will be presented by each individual sponsor of the organizations.

These organizations will participate in the assembly: Band,

Bisonettes, cheerleaders, choir, Civitan Award, M. I. T. Award, orchestra, Stampede and Texas Girls' Recreation Association. In the sports department members of the golf team, swim team, tennis team, and track team will be awarded their letters.

Students in the assembly will report to the gym, or room designated by the sponsor. The second awards assembly will be held May 16.

## Robert Trull to Work with Clint Walker In Feature Film, 'Stagecoach to Doom'

By BRENDA GARDNER

Rumors have it that a certain individual, connected with the stage, encounters many unusual experiences. Chances are, you've met someone who plans to make a career of acting, who will portray the part of Billy the Kid in a true-to-life movie, and who has a really original personality. Chances are, you've met Robert Trull.

Robert began his career as a stunt man at Apacheland, a movie ranch in Arizona. At Apacheland, which was part owned and operated by Charles Aldridge, a close friend of the Trull family, Robert took part in the presentation of important events in Western history.

These performances were presented on weekends before an audience at the ranch. The actors portrayed events such as the shootout at the O.K. Corral and the killing of Ed Masterson. The keynote of these presentations was realism because the entire ranch was used as a stage.

Charles Aldridge will play an important part in Robert's life again as producer of the hour-long feature film, "Stagecoach to Doom," in which Robert will play Billy the Kid.

In "Stagecoach to Doom," Robert will work with Peter Brown, as Jack McCall; Doug McClure, as the legendary Jesse James, and Clint Walker, as Sam Bass. The film is a humorous story about the deaths of famous old outlaws of the West, and their

lives after death.

Began in Third Grade

Robert's career began with a third grade Mother Goose production. He was chosen as Tommy Snooks, and Tommie Hatcher played the role of Betty Brooks. Unfortunately, Tommie contracted the chickenpox, and had to be replaced. However, the night of the big show arrived, and when Robert was asked, "Tommy Snooks, where's Betty Brooks?" his answer was simply, "She's got chickenpox." Needless to say, the audience rolled out of their seats.

Then there was the time in the seventh grade, when Robert was chosen to portray the part of the Cowardly Lion in "The Wizard of Oz." Here our star caught a true glimpse of 'show biz' by being privileged to sing, "If I Only Had Courage."

Always "Belted"

On the subject of his participation in Sunset's plays, Robert's comment was "It seems like every play that I'm in, I get hit in the mouth or pushed around."

He has participated here in seven plays. In his sophomore year, Robert played the part of a jurymen in "One Song in Silence." Here, he was cruelly "belted" in the mouth several times. In "Annie Get Your Gun," our senior actor was a rough Tommy the Cowboy. It was, however, in "Sorry About That" when Robert first really enjoyed his acting participation, in which he was viciously at-

tacked by an eager female.

The one-act play last year, "The High School," revealed the more serious side of an actor. In this play, Robert portrayed the part of Moishe, a Jewish boy who was degraded and rebuked by Gentile students his own age.

This year, Robert took two major roles, Sakini in "Teahouse of the August Moon," and King Sextimus, in "Once Upon a Mattress."

As for after graduation, Robert intends to continue stunt acting in San Antonio. There are promises for another movie, "How the West is Done" later in the summer. Asked if he was contemplating a full acting career, Robert stated, "Yes, I plan to become an actor—there's no future with being a stunt man, because you'll eventually kill yourself."



# Randell to Compete At State in Shotput

Don Randell, tossing the shot below his usual standard, still managed to win an easy first place at the Region II track meet in Fort Worth last Saturday and thus to advance to the state meet, which will be held at the University of Texas, Austin, May 2 and 3.

It is the first time Sunset has sent a trackster to the state meet since John Robertson in 1966 broke the state record there in the 880-yard run with a 1:53.2.

Don's heave at Fort Worth in the regional was 63 feet 4 inches, three feet and 3 feet 2 inches below his best throw this year. He also came in third in the discus throw.

The Sunset champ shot putter will compete in the Little State Track Meet in Corpus Christi this Saturday.

James Hinton and Richard Amos qualified for the regional

in the 880 and mile, respectively, did not finish in the top six at the regional.

The regional champion team was Dallas Lincoln with 50 points. South Oak Cliff had 44. Richardson and Paschal tied for fourth with 36 points. As a team Sunset finished eleventh.

## SET NEW RECORD

### Buff Cindermen Place Third In Strong Showing at District

Led by senior Don Randell, Coach Billy Kidd's Bison track team set one record and took third place as a team in the District 7-AAAA Track Meet on April 10-11.

Three men in four events

### Sophs Score 10 Places at District Meet

Sophomores finally got into the spotlight this year during the District 17-AAAA Track Meet at Sprague Stadium. For the first time in the district meet, a sophomore division was run-off.

With only seven sophomores on the Sunset team, you couldn't have asked for a better performance. They placed in 10 events.

Tommy Palmer placed first in the discus and second in the shot put. Andrew Garcia took third place in the 880 yard dash with a time of 2:10.

Among the fourth place finishers were Phil Dill, in the broad jump and high jump; Gary Ratcliff, 120 high hurdles; Dan Woodling, 440 yard dash; and the sophomore mile relay team made up of Dill, Garcia, Harris, and Ratcliff.

Other high finishers for Sunset were John Horn, fifth in the 880-yard intermediate hurdles; Duncan Ramsey, sixth in the 100-yard dash; and the sophomore 440 relay team of Ramsey, Harris, Dill, and Woodling, sixth.

### 'Sound' Brings Message With Music Variety

Conveying a variety of messages in music and song, the "Sound Generation" from John Brown University performed for Sunset April 17.

The group of 19 young adults proved to be an organization with a difference. On stage were a brass section, two guitarists, an organ and piano player, and eight singers who sang everything from "Windy" to "When The Saints Go Marching In."

The performers often called for audience participation and a few of the Generation descended from the stage to bring their music closer to the listeners.

The assembly was concluded by a new rendition of "God Bless America" and for their efforts the group received a spirited standing ovation.

Afterwards, the student body was invited to purchase the recent album recorded by the Sound Generation and to take pamphlets that were made available concerning John Brown University.

### Girls Swim Team Vie in City Meet

Twelve Sunset girls were to compete yesterday and today in the city swim meet. They are seeking to qualify for the state meet, which will be held tomorrow and Saturday.

The girls are competing for entries in the 200-yard medley relay, 50-yard free style, 50-yard breast stroke, 50-yard back stroke, 1-meter dive, 50-yard butterfly, 100-yard free style, and 200-yard free stroke relay.

(first and second place winners) qualified for the Region II meet held in Fort Worth April 18 and 19. They were Don Randell in shot and discus, Richard Amos in the mile, and James Hinton in the 120-yard high hurdles.

Kimball won the meet easily and South Oak Cliff came in second.

Randell took first in both the shot and discus. He heaved the shot 66 feet 6½ inches, and for the third straight year the "mighty midget" has broken the district record. Last year he threw the shot 60 feet 4 inches and his sophomore year, 56 feet 1¼ inches. Randell defeated all discus men with a throw of 151 feet 1 inch.

Amos finished second in the mile run with a time of 4:34.2. Also placing second was Hinton in the high hurdles.

Third places went to Steve Neckar in the shot put, and the mile relay team of Mark Roberts, Wendell Combest, Gary Youngkin, and James Hinton.

Other places by Sunset were as follows: Fourth, Wendell Combest, 440 yard dash; fifth, Gary Youngkin, 330 intermediate hurdles; Jimmy Holbrook, 100 yard dash.

### KIDD ANNOUNCES NINE LETTERMEN

Coach Billy Kidd announced last Thursday the nine lettermen in track for 1969.

Senior lettermen are Wendell Combest, Roger Cook, Roy Cook, Chris Gard, James Hinton, Don Randell, Gary Youngkin, and manager Reed Higgins.

Other lettermen, all of whom will return next year, are Richard Amos, Steve Neckar, and Mark Roberts.

## Golfers Win District; Take Fourth in Region

Sunset's golf team placed fourth with a 617 in the Region II tournament held last Saturday in Fort Worth.

The Bison linksmen came in only 1 point behind third place Bryan Adams. Arlington Heights of Fort Worth was the winner.

By winning the district match on April 9, the Sunset linksmen advanced to regional competition at Ben Brook Country Club in Fort Worth last April 12.

At the district tourney, John Folwell, consistent low scorer recently offered a scholarship from the University of Oklahoma, grabbed medalist honors with a birdie on the second hole



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DON RANDELL, REGION WINNER in the shot put, has been outdistanced by only four high school men in the nation.

## Bison Nine Drops Two To Lose Lead in Zone

The Bison baseball team will meet Carter tonight at 7:30 at Higgins Field in their sixth zone contest.

Sunset was to have met South Oak Cliff last Monday night at Higgins.

The Bisons dropped from the first place to third in the zone race when they were beaten three consecutive times. They ran into a hot hitting Carter team April 8, at Higgins. The Cowboys collected fourteen hits, but barely managed to beat Sunset 7-6, in an exciting contest.

The Bisons met Carter at Higgins Field again on April 10 and again the Cowboys edged Sunset by one run, 4-3. Bobby Velkoeter held the Bisons to only three hits.

Kimball's Knight scored three runs in the first inning to beat Sunset 4-1 April 16 at Higgins Field. David Johnson pitched well for the Bisons allowing only five hits. He was, however, beaten by Greg Duffy of the Knights, who allowed Sunset two safeties.

The Bisons will wind up their zone schedule with the following

games: South Oak Cliff, April 21; Carter, April 24; Kimball, April 28; and South Oak Cliff, May 1. All games are at Higgins Field at 7:30.

## B Baseballers Clinch District

Paced by the pitching of Walter Thornton and David Bureleu, the Bison 'B' baseballers clinched the district championship with a 14-3 mark for the season.

Playing on the diamond for Coach Joe Huey were Greg Bielefeldt, James Joco, and Robbie Hoover, first, second, and third basemen respectively. Donovan McFadin, who led hitting for the season, was shortstop.

In the outfield were Bill Rushing, Oliver Neal, Freeman Taylor. David Ridley, Gene Shields, and Dan Reyes. Fred Martinez was catcher.

## Two Seniors Win Pan Am Scholarships

Molly Malone and Durline Dunham, seniors, are the winners of the scholarships given by the Pan American Club this year. The club had intended to give one scholarship, but instead they gave two.

These scholarships are for \$250 to study in Mexico this summer. "They are an excellent opportunity to extend Pan Americanism or learning to get along and stay friends with Latin American Countries," said Bill Little, president of the Pan American Club.

The committee choosing Molly and Durline was made up of Mr. R. C. Stokes, Mrs. Iola Eaton, Mr. Fred Sallis, Mr. Paul Sexton, Miss Mae Venable, Mrs. Betty Taylor, and Bill Little, president of the Pan American.



## BISON TRACKS

By MIKE CLAYTON

Have you ever wondered what became of our returning gridiron boys after football season? Well, each day since then they have been training for their climactic performance—the Purple and White game to be played on May 23.

It won't be long now till the pads and the helmets will come from "cold storage" and that well waited hot, sweating, terrifying spring training will begin May 2.

For the past months these brave young men have been going through all kinds of bad news. Most of their education has been learning how to stop a bleeding nose.

Wrestling, weights, drills, running, maneuvers and more running has been the main program. This was all done for a useful purpose for a winning ball club next year. Because of their lack of size the coaches have stressed for the boys to step up their speed, and improve their coordination.

In the weight program, contests have been used to create a will to be the best. This has proved to be beneficial to many of the players, as pounds and inches have been added to their stature.

It's been work for the boys and the coaches, but we know that they will carry out the winning tradition next year on the field. The next time you are skipping out of your sixth period class, drop by the locker room and check out the makings of next year's team.

Speaking of gridiron news, a relative of Mike Schroeder, 3B, is a member of the "Bison Hall of Fame." His grandfather, Archer C. (Runt) McDowell was Sunset's first football captain and top player in the city title winning year of 1926. By the way, would you believe this columnist was an all-state half-back in Georgia? Well, it's true—in the seventh grade at Clairemont Elementary School in Atlanta.