

Old Textbooks Yield New Class Materials

A Torrance principal has found a gold-mine in the rubbish heap.

When the school board decreed that old bungalows at Meadow Park School were to be torn down, principal D. Boone Kirks found himself with a 10-year accumulation of obsolete textbooks.

Feeling "like Rumpelstiltskin," who saw the possibilities of turning straw into gold, he talked the matter over with Mrs. Mary Long, curriculum assistant, educational materials. The conversation resulted in a new future for the old books.

"I never threw out a book when I taught school," Mrs. Long told him. "Whenever the State replaced the books my students were using with more up-to-date texts, I simply took my scissors and cut up the old books. Much of the material was still good and it came in handy when a child needed extra work in an area that troubled him."

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Art Awards

Students Win Keys, Ribbons

Gold key winners in the 19th annual regional Scholastic Art Awards were honored at a banquet at the Biltmore Hotel by Bullocks' Downtown, sponsors of the regional contest.

Special blue ribbon awards were presented to some of the 328 gold key winners. Blue ribbon awards will be sent to New York for judging in the National Scholastic Art Awards. Winners of the national judging will be announced in May.

More than 1,000 pieces of student art, including all the winning works, are now on display at Bullock's Downtown. The exhibit will continue through Saturday.

Robert Maxey of Mira Costa High School won three keys and three ribbons to qualify for scholarship competition. Two other Mira Costa students also qualified for scholarship competition. They are Scott Gasmier and Kathleen Higgins.

Blue ribbon winners include Mary Kane of Bishop Montgomery High, two ribbons, Jose Perez of Stephen White Junior High School and Robert Park, Darryl Liston, Keith Huber, Robin Nilson, Mary White, Cirillos Ketting-Oliver, Bonnie Behm, and Martha Elliott, all of Redondo High School. Huber won two blue ribbons.

Pat Goebel of Bishop Montgomery and Larry Kappen of North High School won gold keys. Each blue ribbon winner also received at least one gold key.

Beach Places

First in 'Race'

Steve Beach of South High won the Mad Hatter Marathon B for freshman and sophomore students at the Occidental College Math field day.

Some 600 students from throughout Southern California participated in the "mental track meet" last week on the Los Angeles campus.

with Kirks. At his next faculty meeting he asked his teachers what they would think of staying after school some afternoon to cut up old books.

"I'd love to have some extra old arithmetic exercises to supplement my modern math," said one teacher.

"I could use about three dozen maps of the western states for my social studies class," another commented. "If I backed them with cardboard and covered them with with acetate, the children could trace the route the pioneers took across the country with crayon and I could just wipe it off and use the maps again next year."

RESULT was a salvage session last week. When the dismissal bell rang, instead of getting in their cars and going home, 22 teachers gathered in the Meadow Park cafeteria with paste, scissors, staples and an unlimited supply of elbow grease and literally tore into the books.

Two hours and several hundred books later the gold mine in the rubbish heap had evolved in the form of dozens of booklets and charts of supplementary material to be used as resource and supplemental materials by Meadow Park students.



RIPPING TIME . . . Mrs. Helen Clark and Mrs. Jane Wilson, both teachers at Meadow Park School, work over obsolete textbooks during a faculty workshop. The school's teachers used the old books for making new reference materials for classroom use. Maps, charts, and other similar material was salvaged from the stack of old books.

Eight Area Students on Dean's List

Eight area students have been named to the Dean's List for the fall quarter at California State Polytechnic College at San Luis Obispo.

They are among 1,114 students who achieved the academic standing necessary to qualify for the Dean's List. To qualify, students must maintain a "B" average in at least 12 units of class work.

Local students named to the list include: Richard Aley, 2005 Warfield Ave., Redondo Beach; John P. Baumgartner, 2805 Via la Selva; Janice Dabbs, 1640 Jumper St., and Pamela A. Day, who resides in the Portofina Apartments, Redondo Beach.

Michael J. English, 1800 Camino de la Costa; Holly Hinkel, 4502 Pacific Coast Hwy.; Kathleen A. McBride, 912 Ynez St., Redondo Beach, and Craig L. Murray, 148 Via Sego.

Saxons Win In Speech Tourney

North High student speakers won first place in a novice speech tournament held at Palos Verdes High School. Linda Faia, Nancy Hewitt, Bill Ament, and Tim Dody won medals in the contest. Miss Faia won the oratorical interpretation event, while Miss Hewitt won the dramatic interpretation contest. Dody won a medal for extemporaneous speaking and teamed with Ament to win the debate medal.

Certificates of superiority were awarded to: Jim Walsh, impromptu speaking; Mary Dettering and Ray Seaver, debate; Rob Sjosted, debate and extemporaneous speaking; Greg Lemke, oratorical interpretation and debate, and Melvin Lizuka and Phil Hackinson, debate.

Certificates of excellence were awarded to: Sheila Levy, oratorical interpretation and impromptu speaking; Carl Schutz, impromptu speaking, and Rita Reis, humorous interpretation.

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Chester Ray, advisor to the speech group, accompanied the students.

At a tournament held at Claremont College, Astrid Gabloffsky earned a superior certificate in dramatic interpretation while Ralph Lippman earned an excellent rating in extemporaneous speaking.

Linda Greenberg, Pam Olive, John Lemke, and Sharon Martelaro also participated.

National Merit

Exams Set Here

Fifty students at West High plan to take the 1965 National Merit Scholarship Qualifying test, Dr. Robert Ford, principal, has announced.

Students will take the examination Saturday, March 13. Those students wishing to qualify for merit scholarships to be awarded in 1966 must take the examination.

SAFETY AWARD

Pacific Smelting Co. of Torrance has received a letter of commendation from the Institute of Scrap Iron and Steel organization's members Pacific for its safety record during the 10-month 1964 Safety Contest conducted among the office had an accident rate below the national average as established by the contest entrants.

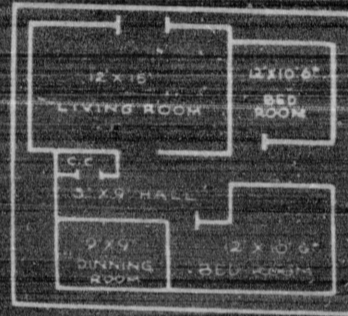
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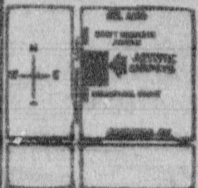
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