



TOP 10... North High principal Dr. Richard D. Guengerich congratulates three North High seniors who have finished in the top 10 per cent of the nation's high school seniors in the National Merit Scholarship competition. The youths are (from left) Raymond Seaver, George Waddell, and Rick Epstein.

### Saxon Trio Named Semi-Finalists

North High School seniors, of 17025 Wilton Place; Seaver, George J. Waddell, Raymond Earl Seaver, and Richard Epstein have been named semi-finalists in the 1967-68 National Merit Scholarship competition, according to Richard D. Guengerich, North High principal. Waddell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Waddell

submitting information about their achievements and interests. Eleven other seniors have been awarded Letters of Commendation for their high performance in the qualifying test.

The eleven are Donna R. Cooper, Leonard Folgarait, Mollie A. Granoff, Randall N. Herrst, Marvin B. Kettering, Gregory S. Lemke, David H. Lewis Jr., Martin R. Morfield, Stephen C. Peters, Deborah V. Sherwood, and Melissa R. Welfare.

In selecting Merit Scholarship winners, high school grades, accomplishments, leadership qualities, extra-curricular activities, and school citizenship are evaluated along with test scores.



TELETRAINER TRAINING... Blind since birth, 17-year-old Penny of Manhattan Beach has found an extra pair of legs through use of the telephone. Pacific Telephone teletrainer instructor Maxine Warner shows Penny the "touch" system at the Los Angeles Foundation for the Junior Blind.

### Blind Youths Learn To Use a Telephone

The telephone is almost an extra pair of legs for youngsters at the Foundation for the Junior Blind. Hundreds of blind children at the Southwest Los Angeles institute are learning how to dial a telephone by the "touch" system, similar to the instruction of typing.

"Learning how to dial a telephone rapidly is more important for a blind youngster than a sighted youngster," said Norman Kaplan, founder of the institute. "A blind child can discover the mobility he lacks when he learns how to use a telephone."

"THE BLIND youngster does not have the normal experience of observing others use the telephone. Thus, someone must create this experience to show the importance of the instrument."

The system utilized by Pacific Telephone instructors at the institute is known as Teletrainer, a two-telephone apparatus which creates a real-life situation for the blind children, by enabling one child to talk to another in the classroom.

Many situations are created for the blind youngsters, the most common being the reporting of a fire. Children are encouraged to memorize emergency telephone numbers.

FOR MOST blind children, only a few lessons are needed before their fingers whiz over the dial. The "touch" system also helps the youngsters develop manual dexterity in their fingers.

Besides teaching the convenience of the telephone, the Teletrainer has been extremely successful in two other areas at the blind institute.

"Telephones train the youngsters in language development," said Dr. Jules Ross, institute director, "motivating them to speak when they would otherwise be silent."

"IT ALSO teaches the child to relate the ring of the telephone to its purpose and use. The simple ring of a telephone creates a realistic response on the part of the youngster."

Telephone training is only one part of the foundation program geared towards the normal activities of sighted children. "It is important that these children learn to integrate into society as useful citizens," said Kaplan. "The foundation gives blind children the opportunity of think and act for themselves."

"We do not consider blindness a tragedy, but rather a nuisance."

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### DEATH NOTICE

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CORA W. GREENE passed away Oct. 21st. She was born 85 years ago in Indiana. Survived by 3 daughters: Mary Crane of Rolling Hills, Alta and Margaret Jones of Monterey Park.

ELMER E. FINNEY passed away Nov. 2nd. He was born May 29, 1908 in Kansas. Survived by 3 brothers: Gaylord of Torrance, Bert of Altadena, and Edna of Los Angeles.

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