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Craiggo Selected Most Beautiful

Miss Barbara Craiggo, a blonde senior art major, was crowned Queen of the Annual Tech High Beauty Review on November 19, 1971. Others in the top ten beauties included Senior Beauty Nadolyn Hankins, First Alternate Cathy Free, Junior Beauty Jackie Bethany, First Alternate Ellen McKinney, and Second Alternate Rita Ragle, Sophomore Beauty Cheryl Weber, First Alternate Carol Stroud and Second Alternate Elsie Hurd.

Ted Jeans, Annual Editor, welcomed the audience to the event which is given annually to benefit the yearbook. Mr. Bourne introduced the judges, who were in fashion and beauty fields.

The two moderators, Robin Lacey and Vikki Adams, introduced the class beauties. Entertainers were Straughter Morris, Vikki Adams, and The Misfits, a popular attraction including Coach Wright, Mr. Marsh, Spencer Harris and Steve Cooper. Background organ music was provided by Mrs. Vivian Hooks.

Key Club members, under the sponsorship of Mr. Baker, were ushers. Programs were prepared by Mrs. Smith's VOOS class, and tickets were printed under the direction of Mr. Charles Brown. The setting was designed by Mr. Joe Walker and his art class.

Representatives Attend TOEC State Convention

The State Convention for Tennessee Office Education Clubs was held in Nashville November 12 and 13th. Five TOEC representatives attended this convention along with Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Rule, the club sponsors. Those representatives attending were Ora Lee Burks, Jo Nell Barkly, Jackie Stewart, Connie Curry, and Pat Robinson. On the 12th of November the representatives, Mrs. Smith, and Mrs. Rule left from the Board of Education by bus to go to Nashville. This convention was held mainly to elect new state officers. Ora

Secretary, Jackie Stewart, Connie Curry, and Pat Robinson were voting delegates.

The secretary's, parliamentarian's and reporter's campaign speeches were given Friday afternoon. The president and vice-president's campaign speeches were given Friday night at the banquet.

For entertainment Friday night Peter Sayers, who is from London, England, sang a selection of songs. And to end the convention the new officers were installed Saturday.

THE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The band and chorus were a big success at the Christmas program. The band played six numbers under the direction of Mr. Leland Marsh and student director, Spencer Harris. The chorus sang five numbers under the direction of Mr. Marsh and accompanied by Anita Fevurly. We had a big surprise solo by Ellen McKenny. It was all a big success.

Burks was a candidate for West Tennessee's Vice-President and Jo Nell Barkley was a candidate for West Tennessee's

New Students Welcomed at Tech

This year Tech High warmly welcomed almost five-hundred new students, most of whom were sophomores. Tech is an open school, and anyone in the city may attend. Therefore, there are many different areas of the city represented, and people with many different interests attend.

When asked why they decided to go to Tech and what they liked about it, they gave a variety of responses. Here is what some of them had to say.

Jeri Moore's comment was, "I moved into this district and a lot of my friends go here."

Bill Redding also mentioned having friends here, and it seems to him that Techites have a lot more freedom.

Dana Butler didn't want to go to Melrose and has always heard Tech was a good school.

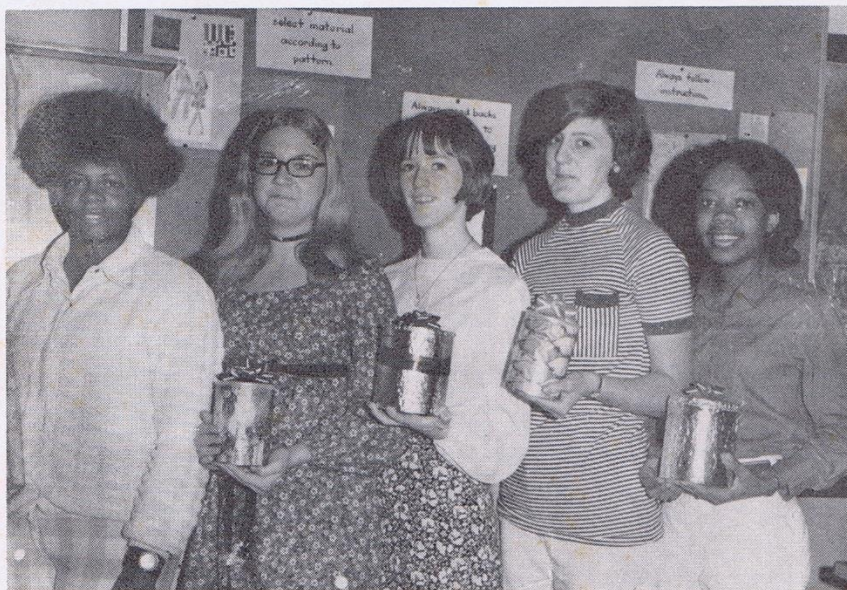
Connie Scott came because Joy Grooms goes here.

Barbara Wilker: "I didn't want to go to Messick. The things I like best about Tech is a little boy with black hair and brown eyes."

Jimmy Hankins came to Tech to take machine shop. "I like it because a lot of freaks go here," he added. Lillian Guy came to Tech at the urging of her mother who had heard about the good vocational courses.

QUAD STATE

On November 1, 1971 three students were chosen to represent Tech in the Quad-State Chorus at Murray State in Murray, Kentucky. The students were as follows: David Morris, Anita Fevurly, and Riley Webster. The students were accompanied by Mr. Leland Marsh. The chorus sang "Requiem" by Gabrielle Faye conducted by Robert K. Baar.



FHA Girls are always busy. Here they display cookies they made to be sent to the Veterans and Millington Hospital. Cookies were also made for the Red Cross. Left to right: Verna Phillips, Anita Hunguford, Jean Roberts, Karen Whitehorn, and Marie Craig.

Club News

RED CROSS NEWS

The monthly meeting was held Tuesday, January 11, at 3:15 P.M. Plans for future meetings included:

1. Securing a grandmother and a grandfather for the February meeting when we hope to have Straughter Morris talk and show films of his trip to Europe. Refreshments will be served at the end of the program.
2. Program and refreshments at the Mary Galloway Home and at the Sunshine Home.
3. Fill a chest for a foreign country.

At the citywide meeting at Red Cross Headquarters on Thursday, January 13, Tech High served as hosts for the snack hour preceding the meeting. Dips, mints, cookies, nuts, and cokes were served. Jerald Jordan and Vikki Adams represented Tech. A panel of two black and two white students discussed the integration situation in their schools. It was gratifying to hear the favorable progress being made in the city with buzz sessions to air the thinking of the students. They felt that communication among the students themselves could resolve the tensions and create mutual respect for the races.

TOEC HELPS NEEDY

On December 20, 1971 Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Rule, TOEC President Jo Nell Barkley, and Vice President Ora Burkes delivered a Christmas basket to a needy family in the Memphis area.

Each member brought can goods and other items to fill the basket. The TOEC members and sponsors brought a little happiness to someone who was needy because they cared.

SPANISH NEWS

The Tech High Spanish Club had it's second annual meeting on January 14, 1972. Permanent dates for meetings and the making of pinatas were discussed at this meeting. The club will also have a dinner on February 28 at the El Chapo Restaurant. Miss Jackie Grubbs is the sponsor for the Spanish Club.

MODERN MUSIC MASTERS

The Modern Music Masters have chosen some students to be initiated in this Society. This is a very high honor to be chosen for membership. In order to be chosen for membership you must have an A or B average in Music and a C in all other subjects. And have taken Music for at least one semester. Congratulations to the new Modern Music Masters Members.

ME AND YOU

Me and you are here for good,
Living the way we really should.
Knowing the things we ought to do,
And growing the way we always grew.
Walking the roads we always walked,
And talking the way we used to talk.
Knowing each other the same old way,
And loving each minute of every day.
Watching the things we used to watch,
And touching the way we always touch.
Listening to the things we always hear,
And being glad you're always near.
Hoping that nothing will ever change,
Not wanting our lives to rearrange.

Faith Ray

FHA NEWS

The Tech High F.H.A. has been very active in the Memphis area. They have done a great deal of work for the C.A.R.E., U.N.I.C.E.F., Goodfellows and other work for the needy. They sent 24 dozen cookies to the Veterans and Millington Hospital.

Tech would be a much better school if more people would work as hard as the F.H.A. members. Keep up the good work.

KEY CLUB NEWS

The Tech High Key Club collected money for the Goodfellows Christmas Fund. The Key Clubbers collected over \$80 during two days. It showed that Tech High really really cares.

EASTER EDITORIAL

By John Kemp, Chairman

Easter Seal National Youth Action Committee

The National Youth Action Committee of the National Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults was established less than a year ago. The committee consists of nine high school and college aged people representing all geographic regions of the nation.

As its major goal, the committee is working to develop effective youth programs in all state and local Easter Seal Societies. As chairman of NYAC, I feel that one of our key responsibilities is to tell other young people how satisfying volunteer service with Easter Seal Societies can be.

Helping those less fortunate than ourselves—being part of the team that helps a small child take his first step, helping an elderly person learn those skills necessary to earn his livelihood, or showing a handicapped youth that he does "belong" despite his handicap—is an opportunity to learn a lot about yourself. It is your chance to put your skills and talents to work for a significant cause. And your chance to learn how important your individual efforts can be.

Whether you work as a therapist aid, a special sitter, a professional staff assistant, a camp counselor, a fund raiser, or a program coordinator, your efforts will make life better for the handicapped persons of your community.

I encourage you to visit the Easter Seal Society in your community. Find out about the youth programs that have been developed and what you can do to help. If no program exists, write to the National Youth Action Committee, National Easter Seal Society, 2023 West Ogden Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60612 and find out how to get one started. We're ready to help you organize an Easter Seal Youth Action Committee in your community.

I sit here in the room alone
Each day from five to five.
I wonder if or when
Will he come home alive.

His son looks up and says to me
Why is he always gone?
He's never here when I need him most.
When will he come back home

How do you tell a child about war?
When asked such things as this.
It is best to tell the truth or
Tell how it really is?

I've had no mail from him for weeks
I'll say maybe tomorrow
My thoughts on him they always are
And so full of sorrow

I know he may not come back home.
But I hope to God he does.
Please let him be alive and well
If come back to us he does.

I watch the set each day to see
What happens over there.
The news told of another blast,
It seems no one else cares.

There is a feeling of farbade
As the post man hands to me
A letter from my husband dear
Him N'er again to see.

Three years have passed since on that
day
I heard the news of death.
He's here in front of me right now.
Alive and full of breath.

Debbv Blissard

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 Lucy—Ruth Parker
 Doris Day—Debra Robinson
 The Partners—Luke Nevilles, Mike Wells
 Mod Squad—Brenda Sheffers, Stanley Taylor, Jeff Sanders
 This is your life—Not going to the principal's office
 Carol Burnett—Jeanette Lewis
 Globetrotters—Coach Collins and his Basketball Team
 Galloping Gourmet—Tommy Watkins
 Hazel—Mrs. Lee

Romance Blooms at Tech

Winter turns on the romance at Tech High. Here's what I mean, sighs like: Kenneth Gomilla has been hanging over the stair rail talking to J. Brim, and T. Jeans has been rapping strong to Y. Tucker. J. Jones tells everybody to keep their cool. What's this I hear about G. Sykes and P. Herron, the most lovable couple around? C. Thomas and A. Turner have not been themselves lately. M. Bethany, C. Cooper, and S. Brown are trapped by this thing they call love. Congratulations to Shelia Brandon and Johnny Jeans—they were married over the Christmas Holidays. Ruth P. and Rickey K. are really together. Debra B. and Bill B. are planning to get married sometime in June. A certain teacher here is a matchmaker. Randall McFerrin is going straight and making girls' hearts flutter. Guess who's got a crush on Brett Gillespie? And guess who's interested in Bobby Simpson? Bill Tune meets a certain girl every morning between classes. There must be something charming about F.M.'s music that turns on the men before school. The top couples of the month: Mike Lawson and Rosie Bell, James Gray and Linda Coleman, Eddie Tores and Pam Keenum, Ronnie Fields and Robin Lacy, Lewis Ward and Sharon Brown, Terry Taylor and Cathy Cooper, Jessee Bledsoe and Marsha Taylor, Robert Hollingsworth and Miranda McCraw, Joey Turner and Teresa Joseph, Kim Phillips and Debbie Everett, Rick McCarver and Cathy Free, Melvin Larry and Mary Clemons, Rhonda Barkley and Ted Martinez, Candy Dolan and Mike Merritt.

CLASS PREDICTS ELECTION

During the past week Mrs. Campbell's history & economic classes have been trying to predict the presidential winner in '72. Taking the candidates from the Senior Scholastic Magazine the students had a choice of 12 candidates that were thinking about running. After the votes were tabulated there were six candidates in the run-off election for third, and fourth place. First and second place had been decided before and the results are:

- 1st place—Hubert Humphrey
 - 2nd place—Ted Kennedy
 - 3rd place—George Wallace
 - 4th place—George McGovern
- Paul Long, spokesman

The Last Ox

by Hal Branch

The last ox with his head so high.
 Waves at the stranger passing by.
 The work he's been doing for forty years.
 Still has him shedding tears.
 With his strong and determined mind.
 He looks up and tries to find.
 His dignity, once known before, when he tried to open doors.
 In order to succeed you must have a good flock.
 But you've got to do it because you're The Last Ox.

A GOOD FEELING

Isn't it a good feeling to know,
 That someone near you loves you so?
 That the flowers are blooming and spring is near.
 That the sky isn't cloudy and always clear.
 Isn't it a good feeling to know,
 That people are nice and never low?
 That the sun in the sky will always shine,
 That friends and countries will all combine.
 That the birds will fly and always sing.
 And a man and a woman to each other will cling.
 Isn't it a good feeling to think a lovely thing,
 That no man can take but only God can bring.

Rhonda Barkley

FREEDOM

As I woke up one early morn.
 To see my brother picking corn.
 To see a white man over him—made me want to be reborn.
 The hatred and bitterness shared before.
 Will never end until I'm sure
 The cry of bitterness is in the past.
 And we will live together at last.
 Then black men and white men will together see.
 Good for the others after you and me.
 by Hal Branch

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Congratulations to the Tech Football Team and Coaches for playing a fine season of football from the paper staff.

Cheerleaders Spark Winning Team

by Marilyn Maxwell

Many Techites believe that the success of our teams in their opening games is partly due to the seven hard-working cheerleaders who are always on hand to spark enthusiasm in the spectators.

The 1971-72 cheerleaders are Debbie Newbern, Pam Mills, Connie Curry, Sara Thompson, Sonja Shields, Cleo Thomas, and Sharon Wheeler. The cheerleaders attended Tennessee Tech University's Cheerleading Clinic, from August 8 to August 13. The clinic was taught by the National Cheerleaders Association. Such classes as tumbling, pom-pom routines, and mass yells were taught daily at the clinic, which required each girl to be physically fit for the week's hard work and instruction.

Miss Wood is the cheerleaders' instructor. Several of the girls commented on the team. Debbie Newbern, "I feel the team is really great, but we need more spirit behind it." Connie Curry, "I feel that we have a great bunch of guys, but the need for a lot more support is necessary." Sara Thompson, "I feel that we have a really good football team, but the school could show a little more spirit!" Sharon Wheeler, "I feel we have a great team, but we need more spirit and more SOUL." Cleo Thomas, "I feel that we do need more soul and our young men to back us up." Sonja Shields, "Like the other girls, we really do have a great team, but we really do need more, much more spirit."

Junior-Senior Prom coming up in May

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Sports Spotlight

The 1971-72 Tech High basketball team got off to a good start with the Yellowjackets running CBHS out of our gym, 74-65. The high scorers consisted of Earl Johnson with 27 points, and 26 points for Kenny Gomillia.

That was the end of our winning streak. Our next opponent, Germantown, wasn't so nice to our cause, as we were put down 74-82, with Roy Sanders scoring 16.

Next, Booker T. Washington took their toll with Roy Sanders and Earl Johnson splitting 28 of our points as we were trampled 50-60.

South Side was the next to put it on us. We were demolished by a 73-34 score, with Robert Hollingsworth scoring highest, 8 points.

Bartlett next proved to be a little too much, with a final score of 54-63, with Kenny Gomillia scoring 17.

It was then Bolton's turn to squeeze past us, 61-65, with Earl Johnson scoring 20, and Roy Sanders scoring 14.

Next move was ours. We came face to face with Bartlett again, only this time in our own gym. We put them down by a crushing score of 71-55. Kenny Gomillia was high scorer with a crushing 35 points.