

# Publications Seek Names

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## Publication Contest Offers Statesmen Block Subscription

Want to win a free block subscription for all three of the George C. Marshall High School publications? Well, the newspaper, magazine and yearbook staffs are giving three away, and all you have to do is help choose a name for the publications.

The contest rules are simple and easy to follow. On the inside page of this issue there are three entry blanks, just tear them out and write your name, homeroom number, the date on which the entry is submitted, and the names you have chosen for each of the three publications. Place your entry blank in Wayne S. Chester's mailbox in the George C. Marshall offices.

We are looking for names which are dignified and which will reflect the heritage of our namesake George C. Marshall. This heritage has already been reflected by our school colors, the Columbian blue and scarlet. The name "The Fighting Statesmen" which was selected

for our athletic teams reflects the years of George C. Marshall's life after he retired from active military duty. The publications staffs want to continue to reflect this heritage.

Each student and faculty member is eligible to enter the contest. Entries must be submitted on an official entry blank, and they will be judged on the basis of appropriateness and originality. The Publications Board will serve as judges for the contest.

This committee is chairmanned by Theodore Carras of the guidance department and includes Miss Betty Keenan, yearbook sponsor; Mrs. Mary Edwards Briskin, magazine sponsor; and Wayne S. Chester, newspaper sponsor.

Elum K. Hertzler, principal; T. Page Johnson, assistant principal of administration and Clinton T. DeBask, assistant principal for instruction serve as ex-officio members of the committee and will also act as judges for the contest.

The contest begins today and ends on Friday, October 5. In the event two or more students submit the same names and there is a tie, the free block subscriptions will be awarded to the contestants whose entry blanks bear the earliest date.



The construction work at George C. Marshall High School continues at an accelerated

pace in an effort to ready the school for occupation.

Thanksgiving is the tentative date set for moving into the school.

## Student Clubs Await Building

Want to start a club? It's easy to do — but there's one hitch. Most club organization will have to wait until the new building is ready. Exceptions are the Student Council Association, athletic teams, and D. E. clubs. The delay is caused by the lack of space in the McLean building due to the double shift.

When the new building is completed, it will be simple to organize a club. There will be two ways of doing this. The first and more common of the two is to gather a group of interested students and find a teacher to sponsor the club. The second method is for an interested teacher to start a club by finding students who would like to become members.

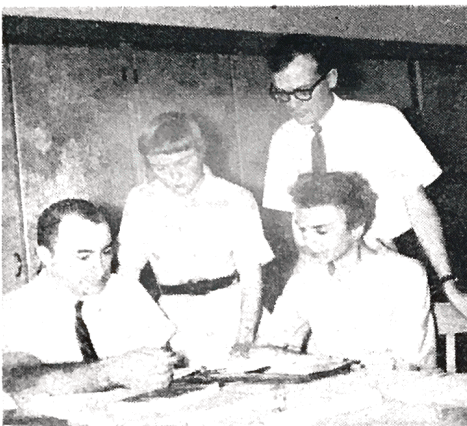
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## Statesmen A.C. Program Establishes New Pattern

By JEAN VIA

New to many students at George C. Marshall is the American Civilization course which is offered to juniors. A. C., as it is familiarly known, offers a new concept in the teaching of American history and literature. This new idea is that America has an individual civilization of its own.

The purpose of teaching A. C. is to search for an understanding of American civilization. This is done by teaching economic, political, religious, social, and cultural developments of America. The 95 students involved in the program are being guided by a four man team of instructors. Making up the staff are two English teachers, Mary E. Briskin and Preston Haynie, and two history teachers, Mary M. Victory and Joseph K. Hills. A large portion of A. C. is devoted to lectures given by the team of teachers and additional speakers who excel in special fields. These guest lecturers have already included George J. Horan of the music department; Wil-



The four man team of American Civilization teachers plan a unit of work in the new course offered this year at George C. Marshall. From left to right are Joseph K. Hills, Mary E. Briskin (standing), Mary Victory, and Preston Haynie (standing).

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## Progress Seen At School Site

The future home of the George C. Marshall Statesmen, located on Leesburg Pike halfway between Falls Church and Tyson's Corner, is now scheduled for completion around Thanksgiving. Occupancy of the high school will begin when the academic wing is completed.

In the two - story academic section the masonry work and wall tiling is finished. The radiators have been installed and the

hall floors are down on the first floor.

The work around both courtyards is substantially complete and the cafeteria is ready for a roof.

The girls' gym is finished and work on the larger boys' gym has just begun.

Outside on the grounds the track has been started and the parking lot has been gravelled. Also in some areas the top soil is in place.

## Choral Units Need Basses

The teacher you have seen in sixth period study hall recruiting basses and tenors for mixed chorus is Elinor Schaible, Director of the Choral Department of George C. Marshall.

At the present time the choral groups are Mixed Chorus, Girls' Glee Club, and a group of twelve madrigal singers. This brings the total enrollment to about 125 students.

Mrs. Schaible is aiming at 200 students for next year and hopes to add a Senior Choir as well as a Boys' Glee Club if sufficient interest is shown. Plans for a Christmas program are now under way. This will be the first public performance of the Choral Department.

Mrs. Schaible is also hoping to outfit her singers with choir robes. At the present time the color of these is undecided.

The madrigal singers are working with 15th and 16th century madrigals. One of the biggest projects of the Choral Department is to put on a spring musical next year.

## County News Meeting Set

Plans for the second annual Fairfax County high school press conference are in their final stages. This year's conference will be held October 18, at Annandale High School.

Professional men from the fields of newspaper, magazine, and yearbook publication will conduct the workshops. They will offer advice and suggestions which the students will be able to use in their own publication.

Workshops in layout, advertising and the writing of news, sports and feature material are being planned to suit the journalist's needs. A special feature of this year's conference will be workshops conducted in poetry writing, and radio and television writing.

"The press conference committee has worked hard on this year's program," says Wayne S. Chester, George C. Marshall newspaper sponsor, "and we have invited some of the best professional men in the area to lead the workshops. I really think this conference is going to be of great benefit to members of each publication's staff in Fairfax County."

Tentative plans also call for the induction of eligible students into the Quill and Scroll Society. This society is the organization for outstanding high school journalists, and is the highest award which these students can attain.

A dinner, a meeting for all publication sponsors in Fairfax County, and an address by a key-note speaker will round out the conference's activities.

They that can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.

— Benjamin Franklin

## Vote Coming

By B. BARRON-CLARKE

Student Council Association officers will be elected after the school constitution is presented to the student body. Elections are tentatively set for next month.

To be eligible for candidacy for any office, a student must meet one of the following qualifications: (1) be a member of the appropriate grade level for the office; (2) have no semester grade lower than "C"; (3) have the approval of the administration; (4) have submitted a self-nominating letter signed by a member of the faculty.

S. C. A. Positions Open

The S. C. A. officers and the class from which they are to be elected are: President, from the junior class; Secretary of the Senate, from the junior class; Vice - president, from the sophomore class; Secretary of the House, from the sophomore class and Treasurer, from the freshman class.

Due to the fact that George C. Marshall has had no previous elections there will be two this year. One will be held this fall and one in the spring.

All officers elected this fall will be eligible for re-election in the spring. Since the Statesmen do not have a president, Elinor K. Hertzler, principal, will act as "regulator" for the fall elections. This position is normally held by the S. C. A. President.

Let Freedom never perish in your hands. But piously transmit it to your children.

— Addison



## Student Spirit High

The students of George C. Marshall High School have already demonstrated their school spirit by the large turnout at football games. More than one hundred girls went out for cheerleading. At the first meeting of the new publications over sixty interested students showed up.

Over 150 tried out for the football and hockey teams. This is a good start and even more spirit should be shown once the new building is completed.

Many clubs will be organized there, such as language clubs, Key Club, and Keyettes, Science Club, Art Club, Future Teachers, and various honor societies. In addition to football there will be athletics like baseball, basketball, golf and track. Others will find that their talents lie in the band and the choral department.

These are some of the activities that may be organized at George C. Marshall but by no means all of them. One way a Statesman can show school spirit is by participating in these school supported activities.

School spirit helps to unite students and make closer ties between students and faculty. School spirit also gives a school a personality of its own. Every student of George C. Marshall should be proud to be a Statesman and should show this by offering his support to each of its many organizations.

By NICK SHERWOOD

## Staffs Form Board

The publications of George C. Marshall High School are, like all of the other organizations of the school, seeking to establish themselves. They are striving to achieve an identity which will help them to become an intricate part of school life.

In this effort, the three publications, magazine, yearbook and newspaper have joined in establishing a Publications Board. This board will serve to assure that each publication reflects the interests, attitudes, and welfare of the student body.

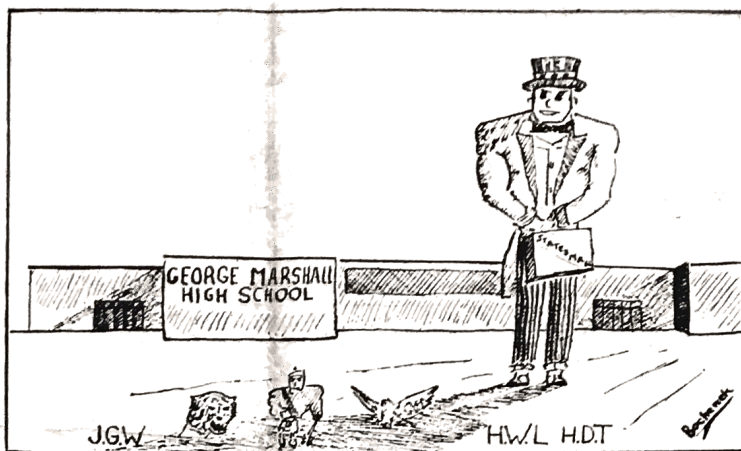
It will further act as a safeguard against publishing any material which is not representative of the feelings of the majority of the students at George C. Marshall High School.

It will henceforth be the policy of the magazine, yearbook, and newspaper to bring before the Publications Board any material which they feel might be of a controversial nature. The board will then decide by vote whether or not the material is worthy of publication.

Any person who submits material for publication which is considered to be of a controversial nature is encouraged to ask the board for an explanation of its decision.

The Publications Board is to be composed of the editors-in-chief of the magazine, yearbook and newspaper; the president of the Student Council Association; Mary E. Briskin, sponsor of the magazine; Betty Keenan, sponsor of the yearbook; Wayne S. Chester, sponsor of the newspaper and Theodore Carras, chairman of the Publications Committee.

Elam K. Hertzler, principal; T. Page Johnson, assistant principal of administration and Clinton E. DeBusk, assistant principal for instruction will serve as ex-officio members of the board.



## News Staff Establishes Policy

As the first staff of the George C. Marshall High School newspaper we have endeavored to create a policy for our publication which will serve as a lasting, yet flexible, document which we and those high school journalists who will follow us, may regard with pride.

We, fully understanding the responsibility which we have taken upon us, do promise the students of this high school to adhere to the following newspaper policy to the best of our abilities.

- Realizing that our primary purpose is to inform our readers, we do promise to serve in the interest, convenience and necessity of our student body, administration, and faculty.

- We promise to report to our public unbiased and objective accounts of the news worthy events occurring in the school and community.

- We do promise to use the newspaper's editorial license honestly, impartially, and with considered judgement and guidance.

- We will strive through this publication to create interest and to provoke thought.

- Recognizing that this is a student publication, we will encourage students to express their opinions.

- We will seek to establish harmony among students, faculty, administration and community.

- We pledge our full support to the administration and faculty.

ty and to all school approved organizations.

- Recognizing the heritage of our namesake, this newspaper staff does promise to direct its energies toward maintaining and contributing to the honor and respect of George C. Marshall.

- We furthermore promise to maintain the highest standards of scholastic journalism which we are able to attain.

## Contests Due In Forensics

The students at George C. Marshall will participate in the state wide forensics prose reading, poetry reading, public speaking, and spelling contests.

The purpose of these contests is to motivate participation in, and improve the level of forensics activities among Virginia high school students.

The Virginia High School League program in forensic activities consists of a series of meets conducted on school, district, and state levels.

Eliminations will begin in the English classes, followed by those in each grade level. School winners in each category will be judged by SPTA representatives or teachers from other schools. The next event will be the county eliminations. Finalists will compete in the state contest at Charlottesville.

## Consider Your Vote

By RON HUGHES

In any new high school, soon after it opens, its student body must decide upon the form of student government which it will have. This is now the case at George C. Marshall.

As anyone can see, it would be nearly impossible to get all the students together to write a constitution. To remedy this situation, a steering committee was chosen last spring, with representatives from various schools. They have drafted a constitution which will be presented to the student body soon.

We must take several things into consideration as we read and judge this constitution. First, it will remain in the form we choose as long as George C. Marshall High School is in existence. Second, it must suit all situations which might arise in the Student Council. Thirdly, each student has the right to make any constructive suggestion about the constitution he may wish.

All these things are very important but the most important idea of all is that each student care enough to consider it, understand it, and then to vote on it.

## Letters to Editor

Dear Editors:

I have learned that at many other high schools in this area a block subscription policy is used in selling the annual, the newspaper, and the literary magazine. This block subscription usually sells for about six dollars.

This price increases the circulation of all three publications and is a big saving to the subscribers. I hope the sponsors of the George C. Marshall publications will consider the merits of this policy.

Yours truly,  
Carlene Carey, junior

Dear Editors:

I am writing this letter with regard to the school spirit at George C. Marshall High School. It makes a person really proud of his school to know that over 1000 tickets were sold before the school's first football game.

This is over two-thirds of the student body. But, I think that this school spirit could be greatly increased if George C. Marshall had many school songs to sing.

Currently the students are using the songs of their old schools and changing the names to fit George C. Marshall. It is the songs that really pep up the school's spirit! Let's get some original ones of our own.

Sincerely,  
Anita Huffman, junior

## Unity Sought

T. Page Johnson, assistant principal of administration, has voiced some opinions of the problems, the reputation, and the curriculum of Marshall. "Our biggest problem," he feels, "is facing the newness of the situation here." He hopes to achieve "a feeling of oneness" within the student body and to build up school spirit.

"School reputation is something which must be built up over a period of time," he said. We can achieve this recognition by excelling in scholastic achievement, sports, being known for good school productions, and having a good debate club," said Mr. Johnson.

The curriculum at Marshall will include all the subjects offered at Falls Church, Madison, and McLean. If students wish to take a subject offered at McLean which is not offered at Falls Church they can do so at Marshall. Marshall policies will try to combine the best ideas of the surrounding schools.

As soon as the student council is organized, the other clubs and activities will be able to form. The steering committee has plans for Marshall well under-

## Names and Fames

In this column we hope to recognize those students, faculty members, and citizens of the community who help to enrich life at George C. Marshall High School. Besides recognizing the people whom we all know contribute to the school, we would especially like to pay tribute to those who contribute in an unusual way to this school.

We will need your help in doing this. If, as the year progresses, you learn of any persons who come under this category, please let us know. Give his name and a description of what he has done to any newspaper staff member or to Wayne S. Chester, the Newspaper's sponsor. In order for your information to be printed, we must have the submitter's name and home-room number.

In this, the first issue of our newspaper, we would like to offer our warmest congratulations and thanks to:

Those people who are bringing the dream of George C. Marshall High School into reality, Mr. Elam K. Hertzler, our principal; Mr. T. Page Johnson, assistant principal of administration; Mr. Clinton E. DeBusk, assistant principal of instruction; the members of the Fairfax County School Board and Mr. E. C. Funderburk, superintendent of schools.

Mr. Roger Cole, his varsity coaching staff and football team for their tremendous efforts against Edison and George Mason High Schools.

The George C. Marshall Steering Committee and especially to Donna Brodie, chairman, for helping get our school on its feet.

To sophomore Bob Henninger, chairman of the pep rally and bonfire, who did an excellent job on September 14.

The Statesmen cheerleaders for a job well done at all of our football games.

To Mary E. Briskin, Mary M. Victory, Joseph K. Hills and Preston Haney for working so diligently to make the American Civilization course the excellent course which it is.

## Marshall High Newspaper Staff

This year, our newspaper will not have any editors as such. The staff will include:	
Nick Sherwood	sophomore
Pam Rehrig	sophomore
Nancy Shaver	junior
Martha Isaacs	junior
Sheron Donnelly	sophomore
Donald Herzberg	junior
Jerry McKagan	junior
Kathy Switzer	junior
Clark Tibbetts	junior
Jan Bochenek	sophomore
Ronald Hughes	junior
Beau Barron-Clarke	junior
Gray Carlson	junior
Diane Hinkle	junior
Barry Richmond	junior
Carlene Carey	junior

way. This committee met during the summer and drew up a constitution, gave us our nickname (Statesmen), and chose our school colors (Scarlet red and Columbian blue).



## Goof, Falls, Mark of First

The thump - thump - thump you hear is a faculty member falling down the stairs. The screams are of the students lost in the halls or trapped in the broom closets. Where are you? You are with the George C. Marshall Statesmen as they fight their way through the first day of the split shift at McLean High.

"Who am I? Where Am I? What is it?" asks the boy from James Madison who is stuck in the wrong school. Even with the added confusion you can still spot the freshmen who arrive in class, panting, thirty seconds after the first bell rings.

There are teachers asking students what class this is and the boy in Algebra II who said "But I haven't had Algebra I yet!" Same non - existent room numbers had a great deal of followers. (The numbers will show up when the Marshall building is opened.)

Familiar face spotting was an active sport among expatriates from old high schools. The computer had a rough day too. It was assigning two people to a class and the wrong one at that.

Dismissal period seemed to be the most disrupting time of day as all tricks and traits had reached their peak.

By 5:30 the emptied grounds only suggested that many a weary body would fall into slumber that night with the conviction that this day would give him the courage to try again tomorrow.

Freedom exists only where the people take care of the government.

Woodrow Wilson

## News Column

### Window On The World

The purpose of this column is to open a window to the world and it will print items of news, both national and local, that may be of interest to the student body.

Students in Communist China who have not been allowed to re-enter high schools and universities this year have been told to start productive work on factories or on farms. The reduction in students attending these high schools and universities was about 20 per cent. Today the enrollment is about what it was before the Communist's so called "Great Leap Forward" in 1958.

During registration week at the University of California at Los Angeles it wasn't surprising to see 400 coeds checking in at a campus table where a sign said, "Frosh Women Register Here." The table was manned by two 19-year-old students. Each coed signed her name, address, and phone number. Actually the table and the young men had nothing to do with registration. It was just a good way to get some female phone numbers.

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## Calendar

### Calendar for October

October 2-School Board Meeting, administration building, 8:00 p.m.  
4 Varsity Hockey at Fairfax, 4:00 p.m.  
6 Varsity Football, Herndon at Fairfax, 2:30 p.m.  
11-Varsity Hockey, Woodson at McLean, 4:00 p.m.  
13-Varsity Football at W-L "B", 8:00 p.m.  
16-Varsity Hockey at Madison, 4:00 p.m.  
22-26-United Nations Week  
25-Varsity Hockey, Herndon at Fairfax, 4:00 p.m.  
26 Varsity Football, Woodson at Falls Church, 8:00 p.m.  
30-Varsity Hockey at Falls Church, 4:00 p.m.  
31-Nov. 2 VEA and VTA Conference, Richmond, Va.

### AC Program

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William K. Tidwell, art instructor; John H. Reece, drama coach; Wayne S. Chester, journalism instructor, as well as speakers from outside of the school.

To get a deeper understanding of the American Civilization, several field trips are planned. These trips will be connected with the American culture and will have a direct bearing on the American Civilization Course.

### Student Clubs

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Next the club selects a steering committee to plan activities and programs for the remainder of the year. This is then approved by Clinton DeBask, assistant principal for instruction, and a club is formed.

Even though clubs won't be organized now, it is time to start thinking of clubs which will need to be started once we are in the George C. Marshall building.

## Adviser Yells Lass Wails

"Rewrite!" bellowed the sponsor.

"Oh! No!" not again," moaned the weary little lass as she meekly took her first newspaper story from the sponsor's hand. "I just knew it was right this time. I worked so hard. . . oh, why didn't I sign up for the magazine or yearbook? . . . or better still why didn't I sign up for advanced physics? It couldn't be this hard."

She fell dejectedly into a chair at the back of the room and began to pour over the ink scarred piece of paper lying in front of her. Her thoughts wandered, and she began to see herself as a dashing young journalist respected by all the students in school.

Feeling sure that she would be the first editor of the newspaper, she hurried from interview to interview and smiled gaily as she heard her classmates whisper to each other of the service she was performing for her school.

"Suddenly, her dream was shattered by a booming voice shouting, 'Wind it up it's time to go to press.'"

Frantically she returned to the maze of words which lay before her. After a few moments, a gleam replaced the misty confusion in her eyes and she began to write furiously. "I see! I see!" she shouted, "I know what's wrong."

"O. K. then let's have it," was the only reply she received.

In one gallant leap she bounded forward to the sponsor's desk and handed him her final effort. As he read, he began to nod his head and smile. "This is good. . . this is very good. . . this is exactly what we needed."

Triumphantly she turned, gathered her books and made her way into the crowded hall. "Now I know why I wanted to be on the newspaper staff," she thought. "I really love the busy atmosphere, the quick moving pace, the taste of success and . . . besides the sponsor's bark is much worse than his bite."

## Students Guide Infant GCMHS

George Marshall's name and color were among the items decided by the student steering committee formed by E. K. Hertzler, principal. A student government constitution was drawn up by the committee and now awaits student body approval.

Formed by Mr. Hertzler to decide matters of eminent importance, the committee consisted of members of the schools merging into George C. Marshall.

Chairmaned by Donna Brodie, the group made its first decision of Columbia blue and scarlet for Marshall's colors.

The name for our athletic teams was not as easy, for as Mr. Hertzler said, "we must tie it in with Gen. Marshall's life." After much deliberation, the name Statesman was voted in.

### Committee Draws Constitution

Guided by T. Page Johnson, assistant principal, the steering committee next began to draw up a constitution to be submitted to the student body. Novel in the Marshall constitution is the substitution of a House and Senate Clerk for the usual SCA secretary. Also new are senators that are not designated as either boy or girl.

Ending the summer of hard work was the planning of the first George C. Marshall pep rally. Bob Henninger was appointed chairman of the event which included a bonfire and street dance.



The Third Infantry Regiment's Fife and Drum Corps marched at half time of the Marshall vs Edison football game. It is the first time in history the group has ever performed for a football game.

## Old Guard Honors Marshall at Game

By NICK SHERWOOD

As a special consideration to George C. Marshall High School, the Fife and Drum Corps, 3rd Infantry Regiment (Old Guard) played during the half - time at the football game with Edison on September 15. This was because of the inability of the school to field a band for the first game.

The corps was founded on March 25, 1960 to provide music for the 1st Battle Group, 3rd Infantry Regiment's ceremonial functions.

Originally comprised from personnel of the Military District of Washington it has recently recruited its members from the personnel within the Battle Group. It is the only unit of its kind in the U. S. Army.

Uniforms are Colonial Red, authentic reproductions of uniforms worn by the Continental

Musicians during the American Revolution. Additional Corps members utilize reproductions of uniforms worn by the Continental Infantry and State Militia when portraying various drills of the period.

The music played is for the most part authentic to the period. Music for the fife and beats for the drum were acquired through diligent research in various books and programs now located in the Library of Congress and the Mount Vernon Library.

The unit marched in President John F. Kennedy's Inaugural Parade. The Fort Myer, Virginia Infantry became the first authentic Fife and Drum Corps to march in an inaugural parade since the Capital moved to Washington, D. C. in 1800.

## Marshall High's New Band Elects Six Original Officers

Music soothes the troubled soul or so it's said, and if it be true then, there are 53 soul soothers among the Statesmen. These good samaritans are members of the George C. Marshall symphonic band under the direction of George J. Horan.

In addition to this band, there is a 25 member pep band with a player reserve of 28. The entire band has been playing at the Statesmen's home football games. The pep band under the direction of sophomore Robert Miller will help arouse student spirit at "away" games.

The Fairfax County School Board is helping the school furnish the band with instruments and uniforms. The band will make its first appearance in uniforms at the Christmas concert.

The work and talent of the musicians will be put to a test in March at the Northern Virginia Band and Orchestra Festival.

### Band Elects Officers

Barbara Joiner has been elected president of the band. Other

officers are: Pam Wilson, Vice president; Allen Coffin, treasurer; Gordon Heckel, secretary; Elaine Barton and Ellen Geer, librarians, and Robert Miller, student conductor.

Mr. Horan says that he is looking for beginners who can play any band instrument in the hope that he can start a beginners band. The majorettes and twirlers were selected on Tuesday and Thursday of this week, however the names of these students were not available at press deadline.

### Quotations of George Catlett Marshall

"The refusal of the British and Russian peoples to accept what appeared to be inevitable defeat was the great factor in the salvage of our civilization.

Biennial report of the Chief of Staff of the U. S. Army September 1, 1945 |

"If man does find the solution for world peace it will be the most revolutionary reversal of his record we have ever known."

## Spirit, Fire, Blaze Bright

By NANCY SHAEVER

Bang - slam! Crunch - there we all were, boards, logs, branches from trees, all being slammed together for the first George C. Marshall bonfire. They smothered us with shredded paper and when that was finished we settled back to watch the rest of the preparations. The P. A. system was rigged up; the coles and donuts were assembled.

By 7:30 the parking lot was full of people. There were cheerleaders and football players and coaches. Emcee, sophomore Bob Henninger, introduced Herb Yost, the athletic director, who in turn introduced the coaching staff headed by Roger Cole.

The football team, captained by juniors Cris Lingamfelter and Robbie French, was presented. Finally Captain Gray Carlson of the cheerleaders introduced her teammates. Then the yelling started and the Marshall Statesmen really cheered.

After the football team left for their scouting assignment (watching the Falls Church-George Mason game) the dancing began. Now our big moment arrived. The crowd gathered around us and the cheerleaders, carrying the torch, made their way through the crowd.

We burst into flame as the torch touched us and the cheering started again - "Two Bits", "Victory", and "We're From Marshall." There we were in our moment of glory, burning fiercely with sparks flying. The dancing continued with a twist contest and the winning couple received a pair of size 12 tennis shoes.

Now it was over. All that was left of us was a few glowing embers in the middle of an empty parking lot. But, as you pass that black spot in the parking lot, be careful not to get too close because we're still warm with the spirit and excitement of the first George C. Marshall High School bonfire.

## Tests Coming

Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Tests offered by the college entrance boards are scheduled for October 20. These tests are administered to all interested juniors and serve as an introduction to the actual college boards.

Mrs. Charlotte Conger, guidance director, is currently visiting junior homerooms to elaborate on the testing procedure.

The testing program at George C. Marshall has already begun however. September 11-12 the juniors and freshmen took part in the STEP and SCAT tests. The results of these tests will be available in January.

The SCAT, School and College Ability Test, aid in estimating the capacity of a student to understand the academic work on the next highest grade level.

The STEP, Sequential Test of Educational Progress, is a special kind of achievement test. They focus on skills in understanding new information rather than on ability to handle "learned material."

STEP includes tests in six major fields of high school and college instruction. They are: reading, writing, listening, social studies, mathematics and science.

The purpose of these tests is to enable counselors and teachers to give added stress in the fields in which students show a weakness.

SCAT and STEP tests are administered to freshmen and juniors as a state wide testing program each year. These tests are made up by the staff of the Education Test Services of Princeton, New Jersey.



# Statesmen Remain Undefeated

## Varsity Tops Mustangs In Major Upset

George C. Marshall's Fighting Statesmen continued their victorious marching last Friday night as they romped over the Mustangs of George Mason 14-0.

The shutout was a tale of woe for the Mustangs who suffered their first loss at the hands of a first year school. In the first quarter, a pass interception by Marshall began a 40 yard drive which ended in the end zone.

Marshall fullback David Rae pushed over for the score on a three yard crash over the center. Quarterback William Redwine converted for the extra point.

### Interception Stops Mustangs

Late in the second quarter, a pass interception by fullback Cris Ligamfelter halted a Mustang drive and the halftime score stood 7-0 Marshall's favor.

In the third period a strong Statesmen line and an alert secondary held off two Mustang threats.

In the final minutes of the fourth quarter fullback Ligamfelter hit pay dirt on a twelve yard off tackle run. Quarterback Redwine again split the uprights and the game ended Marshall 14 - Mason 0.

## Thirteen

## Brings Luck

Fight, team, fight!

Practice had made most of the girls trying out for Varsity Cheerleading stiff, sore, and somewhat hoarse.

As I sat in the bleachers, chills went up and down my spine. Not because the weather was cold, but because I was nervous about the try outs which were about to begin.

Thinking back to last spring, I recalled watching my friends try out for cheerleading, knowing that I couldn't because I would be going to a different school next year.

Now here I was, along with fifty - four others who had probably gone through the same experience as I had last year.

Jean Johnson, of the Marshall P. E. department, who was going to be the sponsor of the seven chosen girls, was telling us the procedure for the try outs.

Suddenly I found myself standing in front of the judges. My stomach was filled with butterflies and my smile looked as if it was molded on my face.

"Let's go," I snapped to myself. "This is what you've been waiting for all summer! get with it!" Then I went into action.

As I resumed my seat on the bleachers, I wondered how I had rated. Well, at least I had done my best.

After the last girl had finished the routine and the judges had made their decisions, all of the girls lined up on the field. The big moment was here!

When they called the numbers of those who had made it everyone was silent.

Eight - e - ven - thirteen, thirteen, that's my number. I made



This happy band of Statesmen carry their coach Roger Cole off the field after the varsity's first victory. The victory came at the expense of another new Fairfax County school, Edison.

## Strong Defense Brings JV Win

By DOUG MAYO

Following the example set by the varsity, the JV Statesmen came through to win their first game by topping George Mason 7 - 0 on Sept. 20.

The only score of the game came in the first quarter on a 20 yard run by halfback Jim

Reed. Fullback Bill Nanna ran the ball across for the extra point.

The ball exchanged hands several times for the remainder of the first half but neither team threatened to score. The Statesmen threatened in the third period when Danny Evans ran the

ball to the Mason 10 yard line but the Statesmen lost the ball on downs.

The Mustangs then began a drive which moved the ball to the Marshall 20 yard line. Marshall held and regained possession of the ball and time ran out.

Leading the attack for the Statesmen was Danny Evans with a total of 67 yards gained in the first half. Coach Norman Bradford was pleased with the defensive which held the Mustangs to three first downs, "but," he said, "the offense was a little ragged and needs more work."

## Athletic Head Is Optimistic

Herbert Yost, formerly a coach at McLean High School, and now director of athletics at George C. Marshall, is optimistic about Marshall's sports program for the coming year. He is encouraging students to participate and is expecting a large turn out for the various sports.

Several boys who are reporting for athletics have had previous varsity experience. As Mr. Yost puts it, "Everyone is hoping for a good year."

When asked if our varsity football team would be playing against J. V. competition this season Mr. Yost answered with an emphatic, "No, our varsity will play no J.V. teams." The boys' varsity teams will be playing varsity second strings of the older and larger schools as well as the first strings of the newer and smaller schools.

The J. V. Statesmen will be playing regular J. V. teams. This is the first time ninth grade teams have been organized during the first year of a new school.

The boys' varsity competitions this year will include football, basketball, wrestling, track, baseball, and golf. A cross country track team is planned for next year. Intramural competition between clubs and classes within the school are also being planned.

Mr. Yost is encouraging all students to take part in the sports program either by participation or by attendance. Most of the varsity football games will be played under the lights this year and this should increase school spirit.

## Club Sees Hansborough, Blatz Score In First Win

"They're a fine, aggressive, high spirited group," says hockey coach Denise Stephenson about the 26 girls now getting used to the rigors of the game. Though full of ambition these girls have a tough schedule ahead of them.

They are hampered by inexperience and the fact that they haven't had the opportunity to play together.

Since finances for the hockey team are limited and will pay only for balls, sticks, and shin guards, the team will not wear the appropriate tunics. Instead, the girls will outfit themselves in blue Bermuda shorts and white blouses.

Due to the relatively small number of girls on this year's team Miss Stephenson is urging each of them to stay in top physical condition. "And," she adds, "Despite our tough schedule I think our varsity team will be as good as any team we meet, at least in spirit."

National injustice is the surest road to national downfall.

— William Ewart Gladstone  
Patriotism belongs to the men and women who are the conscience of a nation.

— Guy D. Gaff

Excitement was at its peak as the Fighting Statesmen of the George C. Marshall varsity carried coach Roger Cole off the field after the Marshall vs. Edison game. But why not?

It was their first varsity game, and on the opening kickoff, halfback Bruce Blatz had run 80 yards for the first touchdown of the year. Later in the first quarter he managed to score again.

### Ligamfelter Intercepts Pass

In the second period a pass interception by co - captain Cris Ligamfelter stopped the opposition's only threat of the half.

As the clock ticked away the third quarter, Marshall center Wade Hansborough picked off an Edison fumble and traveled 23 yards for another tally. William Redwine, junior quarterback, who kicked the first two extra points, was forced by a bad snap from the center to run this one across.

In the fourth quarter Edison managed a scoring drive, but the end had already come. The Fighting Statesmen had won their opening game 21 - 6.

## Football Schedules . . .

### VARSITY

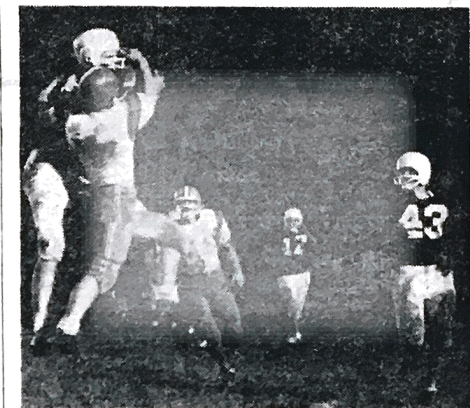
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	PLACE
Sept. 29	W. T. Woodson	8:00	Fairfax
Oct. 6	Herndon	2:30	Fairfax
" 13	Washington-Lee "B"	8:00	W & L
" 20	Wakefield "B"	8:00	Wakefield
" 26	W. T. Woodson	8:00	Falls Church
Nov. 3	Loudoun Valley	8:00	J.E.B. Stuart
" 9	Thomas A. Edison	8:00	Lee

### JUNIOR VARSITY

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	PLACE
Oct. 5	Herndon	4:00	McLean
" 12	Loudoun Valley	4:00	McLean
" 18	Thomas A. Edison	4:00	McLean
" 25	Herndon	4:00	Away
Nov. 1	W. T. Woodson	4:00	McLean
" 8	Thomas A. Edison	4:00	Lee

### FRESHMAN

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	PLACE
Oct. 6	W. T. Woodson	10 a.m.	Ja. Madison
" 13	OPEN		
" 20	McLean	10:00	McLean
" 27	George Washington	10:00	Ja. Madison
Nov. 3	Thomas A. Edison	10:00	Lee
" 10	F. C. Hammond	10:00	Hammond



Statesman, Cris Ligamfelter and Edison's Bill Walter tussle over a pass in the Marshall vs Edison football game. Marshall defeated Edison 21-6.

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