

## Volleyball Team Triumphs

Starting the season in style, Monroe's girls volleyball squad recorded their first victory yesterday over visiting Sylmar.

The Vikes showed top form all afternoon with their powerful serves, spikes and digs as they completely intimidated the Spartan squad in the first game, 15-2.

Led by the arousing performances from Mary Corbett and Nora Rooney the Viking six bounced right back in the second match to completely sweep the Spartans 15-5, after taking an 11-2 advantage after the first break.

Girls athletic competition will continue this afternoon with the Viking gymnastics team visits El Camino in their season opener.

## Exploratory Teaching Seen As Opportunity For Students

by Karen Beard

Some people believe in starting their careers at an early age as do the 20 students participating in Monroe's exploratory teaching program.

These students are all seniors who are planning to enter some branch of the teaching field. Exploratory teaching is a tremendous opportunity that these students normally wouldn't get until their third year of college," stated Miss Marianne Seminario, exploratory teaching sponsor.

These students work out of Balboa, Gledhill, Langdon, Lassen, and Mayall elementary schools, under the supervision of the classroom teacher. They work with the children in reading, arts and crafts and recreation.

Karen Kuhn, exploratory teaching student at Langdon Elementary School, explained that most students were nervous and scared

"Hickory dickory dock, the mouse ran up the clock..."

The youngsters laughed and shook their musical instruments in the air. They sat on the floor, completely involved in

their first day at the elementary school which was spent observing the classroom procedure. "Now it's really fun and exciting," stated Karen after having become at ease with the children.

Exploratory teaching, like regular teaching, involves a lot of patience on the part of the teacher, which is one thing that these students are learning.

Five of Monroe's exploratory teaching students work at Balboa Elementary School with volunteer mothers in a reading lab. Children who need help with reading come to this lab for half an hour to be tutored.

The exploratory teaching program is part of the work experience program. The students work two hours a day for 10 credits a semester. Students must apply for this course and be approved. They work off-campus either during periods 3 and 4 or 5 and 6.

## "COUNCIL QUOTES"

by Valerie Robinson

Any new system that is initiated in any organization requires a certain amount of "trial" time, time in which the merits and faults of the system are gradually discovered and worked out. As most of the Student Body knows or should know, this semester Student Council has broken off into two separate branches. This was designed, in theory at least, to give the various commissioners and club presidents time to work on the specific jobs as related to their office. The system has been in effect for about a month and both sides are beginning to be aware of its inherent defects.

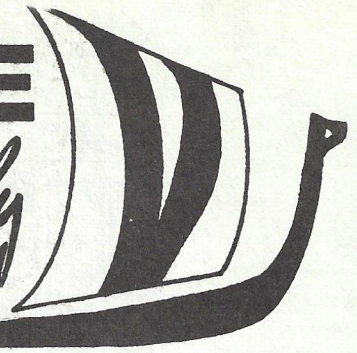
Theoretically, this new system consists of two branches—the legislative and executive. The legislative is comprised of the

Student Body President, Vice President, Parliamentarian, secretaries, and class delegates. They formulate most of the legislation that takes place in Council. The executive branch is comprised of the commissioners, class presidents, and club president. Their function is to indicate their approval or disapproval of certain motions and cast their nine votes accordingly in the legislative branch. The executive branch meets twice a week in a separate room; during this time they vote on certain issues, or go about their individual business. They may also sit in on the legislative branch while it is in session. The other two days of the week are reserved for committee meetings.

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## Homemaking Dept Opens Nursery School

by Marganne Meyer

singing and playing along with the nursery rhyme that was spinning on the record player.

This scene is now typical on the James Monroe High School campus every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. The children are under the care of senior girls who are working towards teachers aide jobs in pre-schools or day care centers.

Parents drop their children off at the high school at 10:30 a.m. They are met by the 20 students enrolled in the nursery school program and taken to a converted bungalow near the grass of the school's agriculture area.

A typical day includes a health check to see if the children are well; free play, which includes tricycles, books and arts and crafts; nutrition; and lessons on different subjects.

During the first week of the class, one boy had a problem in learning to participate during the free play period. One of the girls, Jackie Perkins, took him outside and helped him read a Dr. Seuss book.

In a short time, all was well and the boy ran to play "white duck, yellow duck" with the other children.

The children are happy to have high school students work with them.

"They get along much better with younger teachers, although they do not respect them as much sometimes as they would an older teacher," stated Monroe student Lee Ann Diprima.

The girls' supervisor is Mrs. Maurine Rigby, current chairman of the Homemaking Department at Monroe.

Last semester the girls attended child development courses at Monroe and observed and assisted in kindergarten classes at Plummer Street, Gledhill and Lassen Street Elementary Schools. The course included psychology instruction, teacher training and the formation of lesson plans.

Most of the equipment was supplied by funds obtained through the Vocational Education Act. The facilities are permanently set up in two bungalows and will be undergoing great changes in the near future.

The students bring in many different materials for arts and crafts and hope to provide further materials through donations.

Most of the girls hope to go on in the nursery teaching field and will receive a Teachers Aide certificate at the end of the semester, which will certify them for a job in pre-school or day care centers. Several are going on to college to become regular nursery school teachers.



Kathy McCoy helps Brian Goode and Cathy Calhouil with their arts and crafts at Monroe's Nursery School near the agricultural area.

photo by Dean Fidelman

# Polluting in Protest?

I have been deeply concerned about the ugliness of our school. I don't think it's good for people to be surrounded by trash, barren ground and sterile buildings. We were meant for better things. I got to thinking about why people drop trash and wondering whether it was partly a protest against the institution around them. There is something dehumanizing in the sameness of sizes, shapes and colors in most institutions and Monroe's no exception. Is there a law against bright, varied colors? What can we do to humanize our environment?

I'm hoping that if the spirit of responsibility the students have been showing this year sometimes, the administration will realize that they can trust the students to an open campus. This would bring down the fences that give so many of us a claustrophobic feeling. Another possibility that has worked elsewhere is to allow each student to decorate his locker. Many painted slogans or poems that express their personalities. Others painted lovely scenes. Some simply painted a bright strong color. Some didn't paint theirs at all. The result was an interesting, funny, colorful patchwork that made walking those halls a pleasure.

Individuality needs to be encouraged and as McLuhan said, "The medium is the message." Our environment speaks that we are louder than our words. The art students should also be allowed to paint murals on the inside and outside walls of all the buildings. Let's make our campus as beautiful as the student body is.

Ms. Darlene Loiler

## SPORT SNORTS

by Ed Kasper

After Monday's trip to Burroughs I think coaches should consider lettering athletes in bus riding. How Coach Harry Frum packs them in like sardines still remains a mystery to me!

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Head track Coach Dean Balzarrett has eyed Tim Quinn's chances of breaking the national prep pole vault record of 16'7" as excellent. Quinn, defending California state champion, leaped a career best of 15'6" in practice a week ago.

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Yes that was Guy Benjamin running the 220 in Monday's scrimmage against Burroughs. He was called upon as a last minute replacement for the injured Tony Edwards.



# ...from the EDITOR'S DESK

Miguel Capote

For those who haven't noticed, the hall pass rules have not been as strenuously enforced as they were before the X-schedule was adopted. This is good. But unfortunately, students have not shown the responsibility to handle the liberal regulations. This is bad.

I can still remember from last year how many students complained that school was a jail because you could not even walk across the campus without a little slip of paper. I remember how we used to scream and yell about how badly we needed an open campus.

Because of the more flexible schedule, we have a more open campus than we ever had in the past. Students with different program schedules enter and leave the campus at almost all times during the day with little if any interference from the campus officers.

But you will notice that you can no longer sit in a class without having the silence of the classroom disturbed by some students walking down the hall, shouting at the top of their lungs. More and more teachers find that they have to keep their classroom doors closed, to be able to keep the attention of the class. Just wait until hot summer days come upon us and classrooms have both doors and windows shut to keep out the noise.

After three years of putting up a good fight for more student rights, I am very happy to see that we are finally getting the response from the administrators, whether it is intentional or not. But we are the ones that will make the ultimate decision on what we are going to get. If we display responsibility, we will get more than we ever asked for. If we do not, then it is no use to ask for more since we cannot handle what we have.

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