

# Gymnasts Top University on Way to Semi-Finals

by Doug Leigh

Monroe's gymnasts took a giant stride in preserving their chances to obtain the 1971 City Crown by accumulating a 193.22-176.89 point trouncing of the Defending City Champions University Thursday afternoon in the Valley College gymnasium.

The gymnasts out-pointed Uni in all eight events with very sound performances from the en-

wire team.

Monroe will confront Sylmar in the Semi-Final competition that will be held at Hollywood High School, a neutral site chosen for the City competition, Friday at 2:30.

Gary Morgan set ablaze the rope as he broke his own school record with a 3.1 second climb. The City record is 3.0 and you can start looking for Morgan surpassing this mark and being

inscribed in the City gymnastics journal. Mark Sherwood, Venice, Frank Pitori, Uni, Bill Gloss, Poly, and Brent Pederson took the remaining qualifying positions.

John Kolb amassed firsts in the long horse and parallel bar events to produce best individual effort since the Palisades meet. Kolb's 8.2 performance on the parallel bars placed him over Jeff Hall, Uni, Brad Horowitz, Robert Roter, Venice, and

Jack Laurie, Venice.

Ron Reznick, Uni, pre-meet favorite in long horse, was headed off by Kolb's twisting jump and fell a point shy of the top 8.45 score.

Monroe qualified three members on the sidehorse with Kurt Zimmerman's 8.6 score taking first. Larry Bilow place second ahead of Lee Varris, Uni, Randy Patton, and Chris Dyer, Palisades.



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## Hollywood Bowl Extravaganza Host Vike Dance Production

Dance Production will represent Monroe at the twelfth annual Battle of the Bands at the Hollywood Bowl on June 25.

The production at the Bowl is staged as a musical extravaganza which includes not only the final contestants in the stage band, school stageband, combo, vocal soloist, and vocal group divisions, but also outstanding choral groups, dancers, and a production band.

Each year a noted composer/conductor appears as Guest Conductor for the show. Previous conductors have included Elmer Bernstein, Gordon Jenkins, Nelson Riddle, and Ernie Freeman. Previous judges have been Ned Previn, Henry Mancini, Sherry Marie, Les Baxter, Stan Kenton, Leonard Feather, Charlie Barnett, John Green, Neal Hefti, Calvin Jackson, Benny Carter, Gordon Jenkins, Van Alexander, Barney Kessel, D'Arnell Pershing, Gerald Wilson, Marty Paich, Bob Florence, Alan Copeland, Bill

Holman, Anita Kerr, Jerry Goldsmith, Jimmy Haskel, H. B. Barnum, Dee Barton, Cannonball Adderley, and Louis Bellson.

Finalists are the Pico Rivera Stage Band, Sound Revue (Stage Band), The Windjammers (Stage Band), Dorsey High School Stage Band, Eagle Rock High School Stage Band, Venice High School Stage Band, Anacrusis (combo), Instant Funk (combo), The Sound Co. (combo), Mildred Cooper (vocal soloist), Chip Hand (vocal soloist), Didi Wilson (vocal soloist), Soul Sonics (vocal group), The Soulettes (vocal group), and Trilogy (vocal group). Production groups are Dorsey High School (choral), Mayfair High School (choral), Palos Verdes High School (choral), South High School (choral), B. H. Dancers (dance), Dorsey High School (dance), Mann Junior High School (dance), Monroe High School (dance), Palos Verdes High School (dance), and Palos Verdes High School (Drill-dance).

## State Lifts Requirements for Graduation of 1972

School superintendent William Johnston announced April 30 that the state has lifted requirements which would have prevented some eleventh graders from graduating in 1972.

The action was taken by the State Department of Education

for LA students who skipped a half-grade a year ago and will have only 190 semester units at the end of their senior year.

school courses since their grade change a year ago and will have at least 200 units.

Eleventh graders were also

affected by the shortening of the senior high school day to five periods instead of six because

of fund shortages.

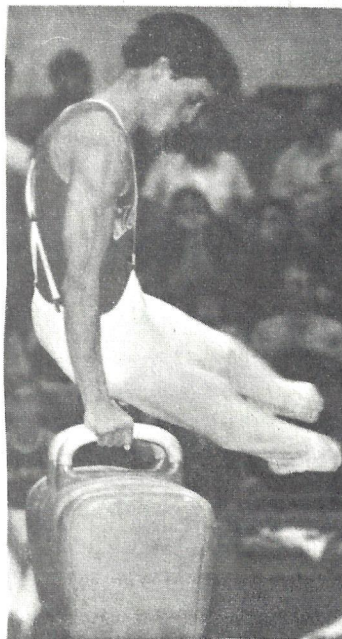
Because of the shift to only one grade-to-grade promotion a year, students and parents were offered the choice of moving ahead to the B10 or going back to the B9. Those who chose to move

ahead missed a half-year of school and will end their high school careers with fewer semester credits than those who stayed behind.

The state normally requires 200 semester units for graduation.

LA school officials said that

only a small number of the 1972 graduates will be affected. Many of them have taken summer



Randy Patton displays form that has been derived from intense concentration and an acute sense of balance. Patton will be exempt from the City Finals due to a broken wrist that occurred during Friday's workout.

## Tops In Folk-Rock Pop Debuts In Odins Hall

"Tops In Folk-Rock Pop" featuring Vocal Ensemble and the Viking Concert Band will debut Wednesday night at 8:00 in Odin's Hall.

The Concert Band, under the direction of Mr. Charles Davidson will present a medley of Burt Bacharach-Hal David tunes; "Classical Gas"; "Scarborough Fair"; and an "Overture in Pop Style". Lisa Miller will present a flute solo in "Carnival of Venice." Also, a percussion ensemble will perform "Second Ensemble" written by one of the members, Robert Grant.

Vocal Ensemble, under the supervision of Mr. Gerald Miller, will perform a mixture of folk-rock and show tunes. Included are "Sit Yourself Down"; "Save The Country"; "Ob-la-di, Ob-la-da"; "Day is Done"; "As Tears Go By". Two original songs will also be presented, "Thank To Sandy" and "No End" written by Val Dunlap. Ending the program will be "Thank You Very Much" from the musical "Scrooge".

Admission is \$1.00.

## Varsity Enters Playoffs Tomorrow Against Garfield

Monroe's Varsity baseball team enters the city championship playoffs Wednesday against Garfield, but the other Mid-Valley League representative was not certain at press time.

San Fernando, Granada Hills, and Polytechnic all tied for third and a playoff between the first two was held yesterday to see which squad would go to the playoffs.

For Poly, the season had ended, as they were the losers in a three-way coin toss. Although the Parrots were seven games back of the unbeaten Vikings it is this reporter's opinion that they were clearly the second-best team in the MVL this season.

### VIKINGS PLAY TOMORROW

Monroe begins the playoffs tomorrow at the Sepulveda Sports Center against Eastern League runner-up Garfield. Coach Denny Holt will in all probability send his ace, righthander, Bob Holt, to the mound against the Bulldogs.

The only uncertain position for tomorrow's game is first base. Coach Holt has a choice between Gerard Grandi, who is a fine hitter but a poor fielder, or Bruce Rosenblum, who is steady in the field but inconsistent at the plate.

However, the rest of the lineup is certain. Skip Willis will lead off and play center field. Rich Reinhardt will bat second and play second base, while shortstop Kim Andrew will bat in the number three slot. Rightfielder Craig Cacek will bat cleanup, and leftfielder Jerry McArthur will hit fifth. Dennis Shaw will bat sixth and catch, while third baseman Bill Barto will bat seventh or eighth depending on who employed at first.

### FINISH LEAGUE UNBEATEN

The diamondmen finished the league season with a 15-0 record as they slaughtered Van Nuys 17-0 in a game played at Van Nuys. Originally scheduled to be played at Monroe, coach Holt decided that it would be good to get practice playing on a skin infield surface (which is present at the city playoffs) and so had the location of the game switched.

# From the Editor's Desk

In last Monday's issue of the DOCTRINE a commentary by Miguel Capote decried the supposed ineffectiveness of Valkyrie.

Capote accused the leaders of student government with "using their power to satisfy their own pet ideas rather than satisfying the wishes of the people". I was one of the strong supporters of Arlene Jue's motion to place the disqualification decision in the hands of the entire Student Council, rather than the Elections Committee.

This motion was not a "pet idea", but a determined effort on the part of concerned council members who sought this needed change. We also felt that the democratic process would not have been fully realized until Valkyrie's decision was taken into account.

Valkyrie voted overwhelmingly in favor of this proposal. Unaware to almost everyone, a stipulation of the Constitution was overlooked. It states that Council must appoint a member to present an opposing view of the motion.

Vice President Bob Cohen did his best to keep Valkyrie members from being influenced by Student Council views. This objectivity was for nought as the segment of the Constitution overlooked the Valkyrie votes.

Miguel's charge that "Valkyrie is beginning to be used more and more as an extra twenty-five votes in council", is baseless. This was the first time this semester that a council motion was brought before Valkyrie for a vote.

He has also stated that half of the meeting was devoted to the disqualification issue "to fulfill their desires". The tail end of the meeting was used for the discussion of this issue while the larger portion was spent discussing Miguel's quad improvement "plan".

Many criticisms were hurled

## Senior Takes Third In County Science Fair

Steve Horowitz, a senior at Monroe, placed third in the L.A. County Science Fair.

Steve placed third in the category of electronics May 5 as he was successful in transmitting television pictures over a laser beam. He received this high honor by way of beating out 300 other students throughout the county. He plans to go on to the State Fair and eventually become an electronics engineer. Steve's new trophy will go next to his Industrial Arts Medal which he received at Holmes Jr. High.

The Physics Department helped greatly in getting 50 dollars together to buy a laser in time for the contest," declared Steve after the victory "I was satisfied when I was chosen as one of the finalists. When I found out I had finished third I couldn't believe it."

at Miguel because of "his" quad plan and the long delay in its preparation. To date, little action or at least ineffective action has been taken to create the quad improvement.

He also stated that half of the meeting was devoted to the disqualification issue "to fulfill their desires." In reality the tail end (about 15 minutes) of the meeting was used for the disqualification issue while the large portion was spent discussing Miguel's quad improvement plan.

Another half truth surrounds Miguel's attack on Valkyrie's "Council's little propaganda corner." As stated in the Student Body constitution, Council members attend Valkyrie as informants, whose personal views should not be voiced during the meetings.

A needed clarification is concerned with Miguel's view of how governments (specifically Valkyrie) should be run. Earlier in the article he said that it was terrible that a "pseudo-democracy" draws near. He later said that Valkyrie should "become the autocratic body it was intended to be".

An "autocratic body", which Valkyrie was never intended to be, would be one with unlimited powers ruled by a dictator.

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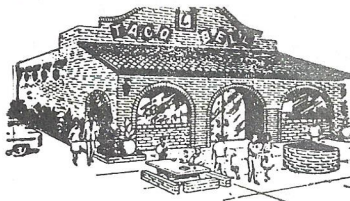
## School Permits

Applications for permits to attend Monroe next year became available yesterday and may be picked up through Friday.

The permits allow students to attend schools outside their residence area. Monroe has room for 50 permits. Under a Board of Education policy permits will be given first to students whose transfer improves a school's ethnic balance.

Applications are available in the Main Office from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

For more details, interested students should see Mr. Kindseth in the Attendance Office.



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## SOUND-OFF

# Cold Water Turns Hot

On May 11 of this year, after going through routine P.E. curriculum, I was dismissed to take a "required" shower.

As I entered the locker room, I heard scream and shouts coming from the general area where the showers are. I assumed this was nothing more than routine horse play, which goes on in any sho-

wer room. Unfortunately I was mistaken. I entered the shower room and instinctively put my hand out first to test the water. It was hotter than the opposite of heaven. I assumed only the hot water knob was on so I turned it off and put the cold water on; it was even hotter (in my opinion). Twenty pounds lighter and most uncomfortable I entered the towel room where I was greeted by a giant Viva (paper towel). I then went over to make sure that the horrid conditions prevailing in the shower room were not my imagination, checked the temperature gauge (which registers the heat of the water) and found it read "122°". I figured there must be some mistake so I checked the other gauge for the other side of the shower room. It also read "122°". Realizing that the school is having a water problem I stayed calm and assumed the problem would be corrected by tomorrow.

Tomorrow came and as I took the quickest shower of my life, I went to check the temperature again, it read "132 degrees."

If the P.E. Department cannot furnish usable shower water, (and by usable I mean not having to blow on the water and then splash it on with your hands), then they should not "require" students to participate in P.E. or "require" students to take a shower, until this situation is permanently solved.

Gary Mason

## Classes Rated by Group

**EDITOR'S NOTE**--This is the second in a series of articles on detailing comments and recommendations of the Accreditation Report. Today--English, Guidance, Music.

English teachers were praised for meeting students needs with varied courses and also for their willingness to use their own material when there are no available funds for extras. Suggestions included trying a class load of 25 in comp classes and cutting down class interruptions for Class Council reports, etc.

Guidance department was commended for "creative work without guidelines." The committee recommended closer work with counselors and reduction of class size.

The music department received recognition for co-ordination of activities with other departments, i.e. performing arts block. The team suggested more teachers, an increase in library music books and the establishment of a record center.

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