

# One-one teaching tried; Fernwood students gain

Wonder what it is like to be taught school on a one-to-one basis? Mr. Gerber's sophomore English class has tried it out today. They invited the sixth graders from Fernwood to come to school for the morning, and Mr. Gerber's students each took one sixth grader and helped him in creative writing and poetry.

"I think it works really well. I wish I would have had this kind of attention when I was in elementary school," commented Kay Nickerson, alumni of Fernwood and a student that helped this plan start at Fernwood.

"When you have this one-to-one student teaching basis you seem to learn more. You don't mind listening to the kids because they aren't that much older than you and know how to explain things to you the way you can understand it," she concluded.

Carl Flemming, a sixth

grade teacher from Fernwood, started this one-to-one student teaching program three years ago. Kay Nickerson, Steve Russel, and Mark Gearhart, alumni of Fernwood, worked as seventh graders at Fernwood and helped fourth and sixth graders in mathematics.

These students helped raise the failing fourth and sixth graders' grades up to letter grades higher. This proves that this system does work. These students also made a tape about student teaching, which has been used through-out the world. "I feel that this teaching system will bridge the gap between the grade school student and the high school student," commented Mr. Gerber.

These students are now sophomores at Grant and Kay Nickerson is helping with the team teaching program today. It is the first time it has been done here, and if it is a success it will be repeated.



LINDA PULLEN, speech student, tells a Christmas story to members of Mrs. Leona Prasifka's first and second grade class at Hollyrood primary school.

## Christmas stories told to children during speech students' annual visit

by Kathi McGregor

AS DONE in the past, speech students have gone to grade schools in the area to tell Christmas stories to the children. According to Mrs. Opal Hamilton, the following schools have been included in this project: Irvington, Sabin, Hollyrood, Faubion, Fernwood, and Kennedy.

The visits were started on Monday and continued until today, with different groups of students going to a different school each day. The telling of Christmas stories to small children seems to be a tradition at Grant.

LINDA PULLEN, one of the many students participating in the story-telling sessions, stated, "I think it is really a lot of fun, for the small children involved

as well as the speech students. The little kids really appreciate it, and seem to admire us for doing it!"

Linda said she can remember when she was little and high school students came to her grade school and told the traditional stories about Christmas. "I looked up to them and really enjoyed them telling the stories," reminisced Linda.

So once again students will tell stories and once again visions of sugar plums will dance in the heads of small children.

# Students invited to Portland State plays

Members of the Equity Actors' Union are presenting a series of three plays — "Three Men on a Horse," "The Gladiator," and "The Old Glory"—at the Portland State College Theater, in Old Main Hall. Special student matinee prices are being offered.

"Three Men on a Horse," by John Cecil Holm and George Abbott, will run from January 17-February 2. The play is a comedy-farce about the popular American pastime of gambling.

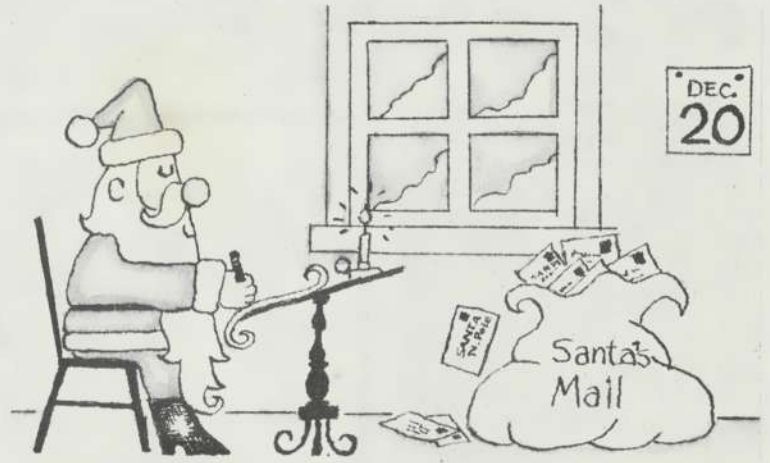
Erwin Trowbridge, a poet for a greeting cards firm, is anxious only to please his employer, pay his bills, and live his life. He has a hobby of playing the horses on his way to and from work, just for fun, and he always wins. He possesses this power because he

# Letters to 'Santa' answered

Ever wonder where letters sent to Santa Claus end up? Letters addressed to the North Pole are given by the Post Office to the Salvation Army and the Meier & Frank department stores.

When the Salvation Army receives these letters, they read each letter in search of any underprivileged or needy children. When they get letters where the family needs extra help at Christmas, they make sure help is given.

When Meier & Frank gets letters addressed to Santa, they send a letter in return. In this letter they say that they have read the letter carefully and that they will try to get the child the gifts he asked for in his letter. This is then signed, "Your Friend, Santa Claus!"



Some of the children in their letters not only include a complete list of the toys they want, but also each toy's price and where it can be bought. The

lists vary in length from one special toy or item to many. Some children save postage and tell Santa what all the children in the family want in one letter.

# Library material 'curriculum oriented'

"Where can I find a book on metal arts?" "I need something on world culture, where can I find it?"

These are questions faced by the library staff each day as hundreds of students bury their heads in the more than 34,000 books available in our library.

All of the books in the library are geared toward the curricu-

## Registration open for merit program

"Students who expect to complete their secondary school requirements and enter college in 1970 can now register to participate in the 1969-1970 National Merit Program," announced Elva Newcomer, college and scholarship advisor.

The first step for all students who wish to enter the nationwide competition is to take the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (NMQST). The test will be given in the school at 9 a.m., February 18, 1969.

Participating students pay a \$1.50 fee. If an unusually promising student is unable to pay the \$1.50 test fee, it will be paid by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) at the request of his school.

When the NMQST scores are reported, each participating student will receive a handbook to help him evaluate his scores and compare his performance with that of the other high school students across the country. The highest scoring students in each state will be named semi-finalists and will be eligible for Merit Scholarship consideration.

lum study of each class in the school, according to Miss Dorothy Johnson, head librarian.

Members of the faculty and librarians select titles from lists such as those published by the National Council of Teachers of English, The Senior High School Catalog, Portland Curriculum Publications and others. Each month a buying list is compiled of new materials that have been evaluated and recommended by teachers, administrators, and librarians.

Because our library is curriculum oriented, not all books which may be found in a public library or book store are found in the high school library. Dif-

fering from previous years, books may be checked out on a 14-day basis rather than seven. This is to cut down on the number of overdue books. Also, magazines no longer must be brought back before first period, but may be returned any time during the day. Reserve books and phonograph records may be checked out on an overnight basis.

Five cents a day is charged on any overdue book, magazine or pamphlet. For overnight material the charge is five cents a period. The library is open from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. and anyone may use these facilities before and after school, during lunch and study halls, provided the materials available are used effectively.



Legion presents book Robert Dewe hands student body president Dave Edwards a copy of the "American Legion Story," to be placed in the library for student and faculty use.

## Kampus Kapers

December 20— Basketball, Lake Oswego, at Coliseum, 9 p.m.; Wrestling, at McNary, 7 p.m.

December 21— Basketball, Grants Pass, here, 6:15 p.m.

December 21-January 1— Christmas Vacation!

January 6— Assembly.

January 13— National Honor Society meeting.

January 14— Black Culture assembly.

January 16— Election assembly.

## Christmas

by Barbara Anderson

Someone asked me what-would-if somehow

(Somehow) the snow that fell on Christmas Eve were hardened and could not be scraped away by anyone

(Anyone) and all the people in their warm- and cozy boxes had to stay alone

(Alone) and think about what-is-going-on-around-here and realize that even though December 25th comes once a year—

the feeling is always

(Always)

there—

Anytime

Think

If.