

## School Spirit Chairman Recieves Double Honor

January is a double honor month for Jeff Surles. He is the January Rotary Boy and recipient of the Outstanding Student Car.

Perhaps a major reason for the selection of Jeff for these two honors is his truly outstanding work as chairman of the school Spirit Committee. This year, the school spirit at RMSH has been heightened greatly because of this committee which acts instead of talking. Many students remember the excellent program on school spirit

presented in November. It was this same committee under Jeff's direction that worked with concentration for two weeks in order to put on the assembly.

Jeff likes to read, play chess, and enjoys almost all sports. At the present, he is statistician for the basketball team. Science is his favorite field of study. He has already been accepted at State University. In spite of warnings by some State University students that the field is a hard one, Jeff plans to major in chemistry.



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## RMSH Student In

# The Saga Of Laboratory Vandal

Perspiration began trickling down the neck of the boy sitting in the small booth of the RMSH language laboratory. He sort of trembled in his chair, knowing that eventually She would tune in on him.

### Relief With Disgust

He figured as She looked at him. He thought to himself, "She knows that I have no idea what the imperfect tense of aller (French verb to go is. Why doesn't She pass over me?" Finally, She tuned in on him, listened a few seconds, and then moved on. The boy shuddered with relief. He slowly flushed to a dull red, knowing the mark She had put on her book—an "E". Then, in disgust, he bent the microphone into a circular

shape, slammed off all the switches in his booth, and rose to join his other classmates as they filed back into the classroom.

A week later, when his class returned to the lab, he found that the entire system in his assigned booth had been removed. So, he had to move to another booth. Little did the student realize that his mistreatment of the equipment caused several switches to be short-circuited, the mike to break, and that because of his own vandalism, the school was having to pay to have the booth repaired. This is an incident that often occurs in the language lab. The vandals are unknown but the action is ap-

parent.

The language laboratory was installed in the spring of 1961 in the new wing of RMSH. The installation of the lab was made possible by N. D. E. A. (the National Defense Education Act.) The Federal government paid half of the cost and the city of Rocky Mount paid the other half. The total price of the laboratory was EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS.

It is the student who benefits from the lab by learning to speak a foreign language with a better accent and intonation. We at Senior High are very fortunate and ought to show our appreciation for fine study aids by treating them with the respect due to them.

## Rotary Girl For January Uses Energy And Talent

Carolyn Jenkins is a wonderful combination of energy and talent. Perhaps it is this combination that won her the honor of Rotary Girl for January.

### Excels As Art Student

Carolyn excels as an art student. Last year she was second runner-up in the Woman's Club art show. She especially loves sculpture and ceramics and plans to major in art at either E.C.C., Queens College, or U.N.C. at Greensboro.

### She Loved The Louvre

This past summer Carolyn was a member of the group of fifteen girls that went to France with Miss Dorothy Craighill. In the week that they spent in Paris, Carolyn especially liked the art galleries. She says, "I was about to go crazy in the Louvre. And when I saw two real, live statues by Michaelangelo, I really did go wild."

Here at RMSH, Carolyn is chairman of the student chapter of the American Field Service. Her major duties are to make the school more pleasant for exchange students, to keep the students interested in the A.F.S., and to direct the fund raising campaign in February

or March for next year's exchange student.

### Plays The Guitar

Carolyn is a very active member of the Methodist Youth Fellowship. Her activities in the field of music include singing and guitar playing. She is a member of the fantastic Smooth Strumming Singing Swinging Senior Swamp Stumpers.



STUDENT A.F.S. chairman, Carolyn Jenkins, is the January Rotary Girl.

## Would You Believe ...

Along with a student's senior year comes the sometimes dreaded task of writing the Senior Theme. No matter what seniors say about the work they put into the paper, they must admit that amazing tidbits of information do crop out of their research. Since each senior must make a talk from his paper, others are exposed to such interesting facts as the ones below.

### A Toe For A Thumb

It is possible through plastic surgery to cut off one's big toe and put it where the thumb should be.

As early as 1600 B. C., men could use the crude tools to manipulate 20 ton boulders into constructions—Stonehenge.

While Europe languished in the Dark Ages, a Central American culture, the Mayas, was flourishing with 2,000,000 people.

A baby starts life as one-fifth of a millionth, of a mil-

lionth of an ounce of growth directing D. N. A.—the key of life.

It is a known fact that Lee Harvey Oswald was a bad shot—Was there only one assassin of President John F. Kennedy?

Sometimes, the Roman armies used armored elephants to help win their battles.

Hanging is still used in the past of the U. S. as a form of capital punishment.

Stonehenge may have been used as a solar observatory or as a temple, for sun worshippers.

### Delicate Elephant's Trunk

An elephant's trunk is considered a delightful delicacy in some countries of the world.

On an island in the Caribbean the natives do not smoke cigarettes through the right end. They put the lighted end in their mouth and inhale.

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