



BAND RECEIVES DONATIONS. Gail Phillips, president of the T. A. C. Club, gives Band Director Charles Woods a check of \$100 for the Mardi Gras Trip. Other club officers, Myrna Lowe, treasurer, and Natalie Knight, historian, look on with Band Director John Sykes. (Photo by Ralph Thompson).

Mr. Newbern Reveals True Secret Personality

Susan Kitts excitedly explained to the onlookers, "I was sweeping out the Student Store and I went "swoosh!" and I barely missed Mr. Newbern! The way he looked at me ... Oh, I'm so embarrassed!"

That's Mr. Newbern; "sweet" through and through! Most students know him as THE Principal who loves to surprise students when they least expect it! Actually, there are few students who really know Mr. Newbern.

Born in the big city of Colerain ("in the cold rain") on the banks of the Chowan River, Elton Newbern was the son of a typical North Carolina farmer whose yield consisted of tobacco, peanuts, corn, and soybeans. He attended Mars Hill High School where he "ranked" in a class of 41. (Exactly how he ranked remains undisclosed by him.)

Few students realize the athletic inclination of their

One student, when asked about the program, replied, "It's fine. It has helped me a lot in understanding my reading, especially in history."

- Gay
5. "When Will I See You Again" — The Three Degrees
 6. "Love Me For A Reason" — Osmonds
 7. "Three Ring Circus" — Blue Magic
 8. "The Need To Be" — Jim Weatherly
 9. "Kung Fu Fighting" — Carl Douglas
 10. "Carefree Highway" — Gordon Lightfoot

principal. He not only played basketball and baseball, but he also drove a school bus; and that does take special talent!

Mr. Newbern took a big step from farm-life to college-life by attending ECU, where he studied for five years, majoring in math and physics. He went to school with ambitions of becoming an engineer and left as a high school teacher of Geometry, Trigonometry, and Physics!

Mr. Newbern taught at Bertie High School for two years, and at the ripe old age of 24, became Bertie High's principal, remaining there for five years before being beckoned to RMSH. "I don't know of any place I'd rather be." That's Mr. Newbern's conclusion after four years at Senior High.

Mr. Newbern has been married for eight years and was wed, as he put it, "the day after Thanksgiving." He has two children; a boy in the first grade and a girl in play-school.

In his spare time, Mr. Newbern enjoys fishing and hunting. Before moving to Rocky Mount, he enjoyed flying in his own airplane.



MR. NEWBERN AT WORK. Mr. Elton Newbern, RMSH Principal, spends much time working in his office. However, he does find time to observe the school halls and to visit the classroom.

New Reading Program Introduced At RMSH

"When Mrs. Taylor mentioned it, I thought to myself, I can't cast aside the idea of helping a student that really needs attention. I think if I can help that student in any way, whether it would be a lot or a little, I want to try." These were the words of a student who, after hearing about the program planned by Mrs. Taylor and Miss Carpenter, wanted to participate in it.

Before the reading comprehension program could

begin, students interested in helping someone better their reading skills met with Miss Carpenter. She gave them a few pointers on how to help the student understand what he has read and how to best work with him on certain ideas such as vocabulary which may be causing some of the difficulties. After this little lesson, the students were able to begin working with other students.

So far many students have prospered from this program.

Social Bits

By Phyllis Goffney
Social Club Activities

The Bethelites held car washes on November 9 and 16. They sponsored a jam at People's Restaurant, November 16 and one at the Community Center, November 22. The club will also give a Thanksgiving Basket on November 27.

The Elegants Club will give Thanksgiving Baskets to two families. They are now planning a Thanksgiving Day Service to be held November 28 at one of the community churches.

The T.A.C. Club sponsored a bus to the Shaw University Homecoming Show featuring B. T. Express and Blue Magic on November 15. They will have their annual new members party November 27 at People's Restaurant. They will also give a Thanksgiving basket.

Debuettes

The Debuette Christmas Dance will be held December 6 from 9 to 12 p.m. at the Birchwood Country Club in Nashville. All Debuettes are invited to attend.

Gryphon Top Ten

1. "Do It (Till You're

- Satisfied)" — B. T. Express
2. "Back Home Again" — John Denver
 2. "Wishin' You Were There" — Chicago and the Beach Boys
 - 3.
 4. "Distant Lover" — Marvin

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