

## NATIONAL MERIT TEST

All 1965 graduates of West Montgomery who wish to enter the 1964-65 National Merit Scholarship competition should register now at the guidance office.

The National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test will be given in the school on Tuesday, March 10, 1964.

Students who will complete secondary school in 1965 and enter college in the same calendar year are eligible for scholarship consideration in the 1964-65 Merit Program.

To receive consideration, the student must take the test when it is offered in his school. Participating students pay a \$1 fee. Any interested student should consult Miss Lewis, Guidance Director.

Awards in the Merit Program are granted on the basis of intellectual merit, but student financial needs determine the amount of individual stipends. The stipends are renewable each year without further testing.

A student's performance on the qualifying test also provides him with information that is useful in career planning or in selecting courses in high school and college, Mr. White stated.

After the test, each participating student receives a Handbook for Merit Program Participants, prepared by Science Research Associates, the testing agency. The Handbook is designed to help students understand their individual test results, to make comparisons with scores of high school students across the country, and to use this information in making educational and vocational plans. Thus, Mr. White said, students can learn more about their educational strengths and weaknesses, whether or not they plan to attend college.

In addition to the awards made by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, about 175 business corporations, foundations, colleges, professional associations, unions, trusts, and individuals give scholarships. Agencies utilize the services of NMSC in awarding their scholarships.

NMSC was established in 1955 through grants from the Ford Foundation and the Carnegie Corporation of New York. An additional Ford Foundation grant to extend the Merit Program through 1970 was announced in 1962.

PLANS ANNOUNCED FOR 1964  
SCHOLASTIC ART AWARDS

For the seventh consecutive year, WFMY-TV, Channel 2, in Greensboro, North Carolina, will be regional sponsor of Scholastic Art Awards, making it possible for talented art students in high schools in 44 Piedmont North Carolina and Virginia counties to win honors for themselves and their schools.

Scholastic Art Awards is sponsored nationally by Scholastic Magazines, Inc.

WFMY-TV will receive the entries for this territory during the week of January 26th. The awards program will be on February 16th, which also marks the beginning of the two-week regional exhibition of winning entries, to be held in Elliott Hall and Weatherspoon Gallery at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

Gold achievement keys and certificates of merit will be the honors at the regional exhibition. After the regional show, the best work selected from the key-winning pieces as "Blue ribbon" finalists will go to national headquarters in New York City for judging with finalists from other regions. National honors are scholarships, gold medals, special cash awards and the honor of display at the National High School Art Exhibition to be held in New York City.

Rule books giving complete details are now available from WFMY-TV.

Sam had just broken up with his steady, a school teacher.

"What Happened?" asked a friend.

"I didn't show up one night and she wanted me to bring a written excuse signed by my mother".

The Window

In the period 1956-63 about 7,500 students have received Merit Scholarship awards and thousands of other high-scoring students have been assisted in obtaining financial aid from other sources.