Four Become NMS Finalists

Four Tucson High School seniors were notified last week that they have been promoted from the semi-finalist to the finalist stage of the National Merit Scholarship Program.

Grace Ellen Holder, Kirk McDonald, William Miller and Mitchell A. Tuchman are now members of a group of fewer than 11,000 American students who have become eligible for any one of 1,200 scholarships offered by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

The four scholars took the three-hour qualifying examination administered last March, and each scored above the cutoff point of 144. After being notified earlier this school year of their semi-finalist rating, the Budgers completed six-page personal information and financial reports.

Required by the NMSC to select one college to which they would like to have their scholarships applied, Miss Holder and McDonald both selected the University of Arizona, Miller picked California Institute of Technology, and Tuchman chose Stanford University.

But the hardest part is just beginning. The quartet has a two to three month newsless wait until any announcement about actual scholarship awards is made.

Miss Holder is also second place girl in the Elk's Scholarship Contest.

Palo Verde To Install Laboratory

Though this is Palo Verde’s first year of existence, it can already hope to see a language lab installed in one of its classrooms by the end of this year.

When established, this 36-booth laboratory will be open primarily to foreign language classes, as well as English, speech, shorthand, and any other departments which can make use of these new facilities.

Each booth will contain a microphone and an earpiece operated by a master control at the instructor’s desk. By this method the teacher can listen or speak to either one person or the class as a whole.