

SW carolers busy again this Christmas

Southwest Christmas carolers will be busy again this year. This morning a selected group of A Cappella members will make Southwest halls resound with Yuletide songs. A Cappella members will be on hand, too, at the Union Station for the fifth consecutive year! In Fred Harvey's restaurant, in the waiting room and up on the balcony, choir members will do their bit to add cheer to a wartime Christmas.

At a Methodist Youth Fellowship meeting held Saturday, December 12, at University Methodist Church, small groups from the choir sang for an audience of young people from the entire city and county. Wednesday, December 16, their songs brought Christmas cheer into the hearts of the children at Shriner's Crippled Children's Hospital.



Many students plan to carol with church groups and other organizations on Christmas Eve. When advisers were asked to give the names of students planning to carol, the *Pioneer* found that more Southwest students were going to sing with the Southampton Presbyterian Church groups than with any other organization. SW alumni choir will carol in St. Louis Hills.

Ellen Stamulis, Jeanne Zeller and Dorothy Weinbranner plan to do their caroling with the Rainbow Girls. Audrey Wolters has offered her services as chaperon to the younger singers from Buder School. Southwest carolers entertained the employees of Amertorp in the company cafeteria from 11 to 1:30 Tuesday. The money collected by these groups goes to the Children's Aid Society.

Christmas program in aud today

Musical numbers to include soloists and audience carol singing

Today's Christmas aud, contrary to Southwest custom, will have no theme other than Christmas music. It will feature music groups and soloists.

Betty Petri will sing *I Wonder as I Wander*; Dick Watkins will repeat a selection of two years ago, Gounod's arrangement of *Ave Maria* with a violin obligato by Gene Bauer; Anthony Bossi will sing *Adeste Fideles*. With Betty Martin as soloist, the A Cappella Choir will present *Lost in the Night*. Margaretha Evertz and Emma Jean Kraemer will cooperate on *Lullay, My Liking*.

The Mixed Chorus will back Mr. Monachesi's rendition of *Sanctus*. The Boys Glee Club will offer *Beautiful Savior*, with Norma Jean Graham and Harris as soloists, and *O Bone Jesu*. A *Czech Christmas Carol* and *Jesu Bambino*, with Jane Howlett as soloist, will be the contribution of the Girls Glee Club.

This year the orchestra plans to help out the choir and Earl Dungan and Robert Stewart in a Christmas medley entitled *Christmastide*. The audience will be invited to join in some of the carols.

Evelyn Warman will play the organ. The entire group, with Nell Funke as soloist, will, as a finale, join in *O Holy Night* and then *We Wish You a Merry Christmas*.

Betty Rinkel 2nd in poster contest

Betty Rinkel, fifth semester SW student, has won second place in the annual Christmas poster contest sponsored by the Christmas Carol Association of St. Louis.

Ed Cosby, fourth semester, received honorable mention in the same contest.

These posters, featuring a lighted candle, were displayed for judging in the main room of the Central Public Library. They will be used about the

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Seaman wounded



WALTER BRAZELL

On the day of Walter Brazell's first anniversary in the navy, C. H. Brazell was notified that his son had been wounded. The telegram read: "The Navy Department regrets to inform you that your son, Walter Vincent Brazell, seaman second class, has been wounded in the line of duty in protection of his country."

Having entered the services four days after Pearl Harbor, Walter was on a ship somewhere in the Pacific along with his brother Harold. His brother wrote home soon after the mishap, saying, "I know everything will be O.K. Please don't worry."

Walter graduated from Longfellow grade school and entered Southwest in January, 1938, staying until May 26 of the same year, when he withdrew. His sister, Shirley, is a second semester student of Miss Quinn's group.

city to encourage St. Louisans to light a candle in their window on Christmas Eve as an invitation to carolers. Money donated to carolers goes to the Children's Aid Society.

Other posters submitted from Southwest are those by Bob Fallert, Charles Pozza, Melba Ritchie, Katherine Spanos, Marcella Santhuff, Mildred Soos, Lois Jean Wilkinson and Doris Marie Wones.

Art 1-56 does its bit to aid cookie collection

Advisories adopt boys in service

When the Student Council asked advisory groups to buy at least three *Pioneer* subscriptions next semester for former alumni now in service, Miss Mehl's group took seven names and Miss McNamara's six.

Miss O'Brien, Miss DeLinlere, Miss Mueller, Mr. Kelbaugh, Miss Funk, Miss Hachtman and Miss Krenning's groups each adopted five boys.

What the future holds

For lucky nu-jays

Freshies are to be entertained on January 8 by Miss Meenach's dramatics class. Included in the class repertoire are comedies by Mary Lou Bosche and Mary Anne Johnson, somewhat more serious plays by Jane Crowe and Virginia Kline, and a murder-mystery thriller by Bill Glastris.

Fewer hamburgers

Too bad, but the meat shortage will keep SW lunchroom from preparing more than one hamburger per person in the future. Besides, the new year holds meatless and ice creamless days for SW.

For Keller and Young

Ollie Keller, president of the senior class, and Stanley Young, Student Council president, have been selected as the two outstanding boys to represent SW as guests of the Rotary Club at luncheon on Thursdays during January.

Vacation

In just three hours it'll be goodbye to SW until 9 a. m. (or maybe you'd better make it 8:30 so you can keep that resolution about being on time) on Monday, January 4.

Colorful posters have been created by Miss Kimber's Art 1-56 class to remind students of cookie collections. Several days before each collection several of them will appear in a second floor display case.

One of the posters, bearing the slogan "Cookies for Our Rookies," pictures a soldier, a sailor and a marine. Jack Young made this one.

"Keep in step—bring cookies" is the legend Wally Humes uses below a line of soldiers marching in perfect step.

"Where's our cookies?" is the query of a disappointed sailor on Pete Rossomanno's poster.

Margaret Calvino pictures a sailor gazing wide-eyed into a large dish of cookies. The legend she uses is "Cookies Friday."

Miss Pierce and the Student Council report that they are enthusiastic about the entire collection.

Southwest helps meet emergency

Faculty and students ready to participate in civilian defense

United States armed forces are doing a great job; however, if bombing or sabotage should come to St. Louis, Civilian Defense units will be ready to meet the emergency. Students and teachers at Southwest trained to participate, should the occasion arise, are the following:

Air Raid Wardens: Mr. C. H. Sackett, Mr. Norman Jones, Robert Poynter, Mr. C. A. Smith, Mr. Walter Williams, Ernest Giudici.

Messengers: Art Langeneckert, Jack Lee, Clinton Akers, Bob Birkenmeier, Tom Curtis, Bernard Dell, John Donnelly, Jack Ehlrs, Jasper Gianino, Malcolm Kassill, Jerry Kovac, Louis Kuehner, Raymond Rother, Blair Morris, Tom Mort, David Frahm, Ed Mayer, Wallace Sheets, Bruce Tarantella, Jack Welsh, Bob Rademaker.

Red Cross Club: Eleanor Berra, Pat Stephens.

American Women's Voluntary Service: Jane White, Doris Marsh.

Fire Watcher: Ralph Murray.

SW GRAD ON HIS TOES

Rapini enters symphony

by DOUG DAVIDSON



Vincent Rapini

"I have to work harder now than ever before," said Vincent Rapini, June '42 graduate of Southwest, in an interview last week apropos of his recent appointment to the position of fourth French hornist in the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra.

"Playing in this organization, which is the best experience any musician can get, entails a great deal of responsibility, and forces me to stay on my toes every second."

"Vince" has the distinction of being the youngest professional horn player in the St. Louis area. "I suppose, that tas and band shows given during his time. Well known among the music groups here were many of his outstanding achievements, among them his winning of first awards for solo work in city, state and national music festivals.

Editorially speaking

The best gift of all

We cannot look forward to Christmas this year with the same feeling of joy, happiness, and security as in the past. Many homes and lives have been disrupted because of loved ones now serving in the armed forces. Christmas to our boys who are scattered all over the world will be just another day, and we at home will not be able to forget this as we say "Merry Christmas." There will be an ache in our hearts that will never cease until the boys are home once more, and the spirit of Christmas, "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men," comes to life again.

We, who have been fortunate enough to have been born in this land of the free, and those, who have come here and have become citizens, know well the significance of Christmas.

The conquered countries, however, will know no Christmas this year. There will be no carolers in the streets singing "O Little Town of Bethlehem," no trees trimmed on Christmas eve, nor gifts for little children. Worship will not be held in their churches and the hymns of praise to our Heavenly Father will not be sung.

In America we will trim our trees, receive our gifts and worship in our churches, regardless of creed. Baskets will be packed for the poor. Never before have we realized, as we do now, how much this means to us.

Life for all of us has changed since December 7, 1941. Since then we have been introduced to sugar, coffee and gasoline rationing. Some of us may not have a great deal to spend for Christmas gifts, but gifts this year are not really important.

As we unwrap our gifts, no matter how small they are, we shall realize that to be in America is the best Christmas present we could ask for.

—by Bonnie Byrne, semester 3

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Winter's King

Frosty window-patterns I weave
On wintry nights like Christmas eve;
Swirling snows swiftly soar
As I blow forth with a mighty roar.
Who alone in sky or sea
Can ever hope to equal me?
I am the chill North Wind.

—by Don Scott

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These deserve keeping

This is the time of the year when it is proper to sit down and write out a tremendously long list of things to do and not to do, resolutions to be kept faithfully for ever so long—a period, say—well—all of a week. These lists are prepared in such a way as to be truly oracular in substance, that is they have a double interpretation which allows no more than any two to be kept in motion at the same time.

But it sounds good when you are able to say, "Just look at this list, fifty resolutions and I'm keeping them all. Why I even stayed home from the show last night when I really wanted to go." (Besides, Tom is taking me tonight.)

Seriously speaking, here are some that certainly deserve keeping much longer than the period prescribed above:

- Purchase War Stamps and Bonds regularly.
- Conserve articles important to the war effort.
- Maintain good health.
- Work harder at school.
- Be cheerful, careful and calm in time of danger.
- Write to your friends in the service.
- Give to and work for the Red Cross.

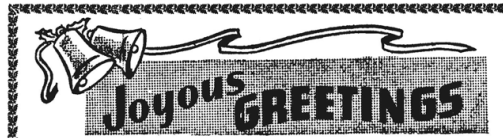
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Another Christmas season has arrived—a stranger one than you have experienced before. But you are all willing—everyone of you—to do your part uncomplaining, forgetful of selves, and determined to protect American ideals and American freedoms from those who would trample them. For the time being force must be used against those who believe only in force, but may you, together with the youth of all the world, soon be able to join in the refrain, "Peace on earth, good will to men."

—C. H. Sackett, Principal

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May I extend the Season's Greetings to the boys and girls of Southwest High School. I sincerely hope that this year will afford you the greatest joy of the season; which is giving rather than receiving, especially if the gift entails a sacrifice on your part.

To you all, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

—R. R. Brisbin, Assistant Principal

Here's how other schools celebrate wartime Xmas

Yes, Christmas is here again. Let's see what other schools are doing to celebrate it.

Members of the Red Cross Craft Club at Webster High are making clever Christmas tree decoration from acorns, seed pods, pine cones, and colored paper. They will complete enough ornaments to decorate 12 trees at the Jefferson Barracks hospital ward.

The Webster Echo

During the fourth hour every Friday, girls at Beaumont can be seen laughing heartily at jokes and cartoons which they are making into scrapbooks for soldiers.

The Beaumont Digest

The joy of giving shines from Clevelandites' faces as they fill red and green stockings with gifts for hospitalized men at Jefferson Barracks.

The Orange and Blue

A modern touch will be added to the Yuletide Program at Nampa High in Nampa, Idaho.



'Twas the night before Christmas;
And all o'er the nation
People were working,
In spite of gas ration.
Airplanes were made with a
great deal of care,
In hopes that they soon would
give Japs a great scare.

Mama was pulling on her defense factory pants,
Preparing to make bullets in a munitions plant;
And Pop on a cruiser and Bill with his gun
Were all set to make Schickelgruber run.
They all paused a moment as midnight drew near,
To wish—Merry Christmas—a victorious New Year.

Did you know

329 singers, dancers and orchestra members participated in *Katinka*?

There were 24 different songs in the production?

Rehearsals for the operetta started the first of October?

Audiences at both performances of *Katinka* set records for operetta attendance at Southwest?

All operetta principals had understudies?

The wine glasses in the first act of *Katinka* were filled with grape juice?

Red Stewart (genial "Mr. Hopper") wore black rubbers with his tuxedo on Thursday night because he left his black shoes at home?

with the girls' glee club singing "White Christmas."

Nampa High Growl

The best investment in the world!

U. S. War Bonds.

You get back four dollars for every three dollars you invest. Remember — "Bonds NOW or Bondage later."

What would you answer?

What does Christmas mean to you?

Richard Byrd, semester 8: It is the time that should be set aside as a period for reverence and reunion.

Rose Mary Quillen, semester 5: It is a season when people forget their worries and try to remember the meaning of peace.

Bill Hoock, semester 2: To me it means happiness and good will toward men—and a week off from school.

Marjorie Higgins, semester 3: Christmas means lighted homes, cheery hearts and the happiness that comes only once a year.

Bill Simon, semester 8: Christmas should be a time of brotherhood and good cheer.

Speaking of Sevens

They know what Santa could bring

Wait a minute, you sevens! Where do you expect all those things to come from? Oh! From dear old Santa!

Sevens would like the old man with the whiskers to bring a down payment for the senior ring, a few more seven meetings and enough money for all coming expenses, plus another seven dance.

A package of pins, either straight or safety, is the primary gift on Bob Meyer's list.

"All I want for Christmas is perfume, candy, bracelet, new dress, purse, sweaters and a pair of shoes," declares Isabelle Craig. (With seven sisters, there is hope.)

If this cold weather keeps up, Ted Bierdeman really ought to have a wig to use until his hair grows a little longer.

Gloria Wheelhouse says, "The best thing Santa could do for me would be to add a few more inches to my height." (Try eating more spinach, Gloria.)

To Audrey Bauer he might bring a few more flowers for her hair.

All Calvin Kiefer wants, he insists, is one of those "thinking caps" the teachers talk so much about.

Just one heavenly morning to sleep as long as he pleases in a soft warm bed is Bill Ziervogel's plea.

Here's hoping,

A. Mazed

All About Seniors

They hope Santa missed those last report cards

Well, report cards have come . . . and gone, leaving a few *sanaad* men behind (maybe some gals too, huh?). Cheer up, though, Christmas is almost hyar, with all the trimmings, so Santa will you please bring:

Marilyn Mesloh, a sweet disposition? (We're glad "Katinka" was only an operetta.)

"Clem" Lauenstein and "Daisy Mae" Poertner, some po'k chops? (Dogparchers in our midst?)

Ruth Massot, a sure fire cure for blushes?

Bill Kehm, a new suit of gym clothes?

Harold Winkler, a new bowling ball that is magnetized to maple?

Dot Grandinetti and Carol Kloeris, a block of library slips?

Tony Rubich and Mel Becker, a basketball set?

Norma Jean Clerc, a "ticket-less" cop?

Knowing that you all are now taken care of, I hope Santa will break down and by the way, Santa Claus, while we are asking for gifts, please, we wanna w-i-i-n the basketball championship. With a petulant gi'bye, and a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all,

I am,

The Pie Eyed Deer

Ex-sponsor visits class of Jan. '43

Chief Petty Officer Ingerson training 'boots' in Idaho

Seniors were assembled on Friday, December 4, for their regular morning advisory meeting; everyone was in his proper seat; Mr. Gerber was reading the morning bulletin. Suddenly in walked Chief Petty Officer Ingerson, trim in navy blue. At once the advisory was in an uproar; some were awed by the uniform, all were definitely surprised and a great round of applause burst forth.

Officer Ingerson was immediately besieged with questions. Mr. Gerber, eyeing him and pointing to his stomach, said, "Don, how did you get rid of the bay window?"

"Oh, that's easy to explain but the method was painful. Every morning at 4:45 we set out to run four to six miles before breakfast. Plenty of strenuous drill all day long helped, too."

Questions went on and answers told of his activities while he was in training at Norfolk Naval station. He explained the daily routine and the strict discipline. Almost blind obedience, he pointed out, is necessary to safeguard the lives of a ship and its crew.

He explained that he went into the Navy as a non-commissioned recruit because chief petty officer is the highest rating a non-commissioned officer can attain, while a rating of ensign is the bottom rung of a long ladder requiring years and years to get even near the top.

Mr. Ingerson, formerly co-sponsor of the class of January '43 and teacher of driver training at Southwest, was on his way from Norfolk, Virginia, to Camp Farragut, Idaho, where he is assigned as physical training instructor for "boots" or newly enlisted men. He has hopes, however, that the future will see him a member of some fighting ship.

Railfans inspect PSCo. car shops

Members of the Transportation Club were really in their glory last Tuesday afternoon, for they visited the Public Service Company and were conducted on an extensive tour of the main shops, witnessing first-hand the great amount of work and materials necessary to keep the cars and busses running.

Mr. L. A. Bertel, chief electrical engineer, pointed out and explained the various phases of street car maintenance, and demonstrated an electrical make-up of a PCC car. Lights flashed on, the motors hummed, brakes were applied, and doors opened when the different switches were operated, exactly as in a regular "Streamliner."

Car wheels, motors, "stand-sit" seats, reconstructed street car bodies, track brake shoes and other parts were viewed by

Santa sends six promising pupils to SW

When Santa was glancing over his list of good girls and boys this year, he found "Southwest" right at the top, in big green and gold letters and that's why he sent six promising new students to enroll in the past few weeks.

Bill Davidson, a six, rode in on an ether wave all the way from Newark, New Jersey. Intensely interested in radio and electricity, Bill is a licensed radio operator. He's just waiting for the war to end so that he can get back to his broadcasting.

Bill Leeds, an unsuspecting young man, will probably be drafted by the Student Council before long. Why? Because his hobby is collecting phonograph

records. Bill is a five from Dexter, Missouri.

Daphne Spoonmore, a sports-minded nu-jay from Winona, Missouri, was just a little shy at being approached soon after her arrival here, but she feels she's going to get along great, once she is well acquainted.

Victor Maggard, a freshee, hails from way out in Covina, California. He builds model planes, and (Mr. Gerber, please notice!) swimming is his favorite sport.

Norman West, a second semester student from Leesburg, Missouri, is an amateur photographer.

Bill Marks, also a one, isn't really a stranger to St. Louis, since he graduated from Kennard last June and then moved to Poplar Bluff in July. His favorite pastime is the collecting of models—models of anything from boats to guns and back again.

Ninety in Santa's graces

Honor students have high hopes for Xmas

To 90 Southwest students, who don't take much stock in that old saying, "Do not open these books until Christmas," Santa has come early and presented a lovely set of 4 e's or more.

In order to win Santa's favor each of these pupils was very careful that the "ole gent" should have no occasion to put a little red zero behind his name in that big black book. However, those who have outgrown the St. Nick fable know that grades aren't gifts—if you don't believe it, just ask one of the following people who really rate with Santa:

30 of present sevens to split day between SW, Hadley next term

About 30 of the present sevens will spend part of each day at Hadley next semester. The purpose of the classes offered them is to fit high school students for specific jobs.

Here is the list of those who plan to go and what they will study.

Comptometer

Marion Alexander, Mary Rose Beckmann, Betty Bryant, Gloria Decker, Edith Garavalia, Patricia Gilmore, Dorothy Hynes, Ralph Kuenker, Mary Ann Latham, Betty McCreary, Dorothy Marten, Virginia Miller, Lorraine Morley, Gloria Mueller, Pauline Noakes, Audrey Payer, Catherine Quick, Jean Roggie, Audrey Siefert, Eulalia Wichman.

Aeromechanics

Gloria Wheelhouse, Rose Casani, Alice Marie King, Dayton Lierley, Francis Powers, Bill Toy.

Commercial Art

Connie Diels, Bernice Zerbes. Sten. and Type.

Machline Shop

Charles Passanise.

Interested members, all of whom agreed the tour was extremely educational.

Lila Mortland, freshman to report on Sub Debs

by AUDREY BAUER

"I was thrilled beyond words when I received the letter asking me if I would like to be a Reader Editor for the *Woman's Home Companion*," said Lila Mortland, SW semester two student.

Lila's duties as a Reader Editor are to report, by means of questionnaires which she answers, the news and views of high school students. "There are only one hundred girls all over the United States who are Reader Editors for this magazine and naturally I feel privileged to be one of them."

Lila explained that one day last month as she was looking at the December issue of the *Woman's Home Companion*, she came upon the page called *High Jinks*, devoted entirely to Christmas gift suggestions. "This page helped me so much I just felt I had to write the magazine and thank them for their suggestions." A few weeks later she received the letter.

At the end of the year the four best questionnaires will be selected and their authors will travel to New York with all expenses paid. They will stay for two days, visiting famous restaurants and theatres and having a good time generally.

Thirteen-year-old Lila, a member of the Girls Glee Club, took part in the Russian and Turkish scenes in the recent operetta. She belongs to the Rainbow Girls. About her favorite pastime, roller skating, she says, "I don't think there is anything I would rather do."



17 SW students sell War Bonds, Stamps in school and theatres

Southwest has 17 students selling War Bonds and Stamps during their spare time at theatres throughout the city as well as here at school.

Each lunch period members of the Student Council sell War Bonds and Stamps in Room 215, under the sponsorship of Miss Oestereich; chairman of the group is Marjorie Harrison.

Handling the sales the fourth period are Florence Baker, Virginia Evelyn and Ted Shuster; the fifth, Margery Miller and Mary Lou Ortmeier; the sixth, Ellamae Berblinger, Charles Crowe, Mary Froeblich and Dorismae Thompson.

The following Southwesterners serve at theatres in St. Louis: Melba Scheele at the *Loew's*, Betty Miller at the *Uptown*, Anne Marie Mort at the *Roxy*, Colleen Di Kiberto at the *Columbia* and Xan Strategos, Katherine Spanos, Penny Vasley and Ruth Tabler all at the *Ambassador Theater*.

Gas rationing cuts ranks of SW travelers

East, west, north, south, Wherever the wind may blow During Christmas holidays Happy Southwesterners go.

What with gas rationing and traveling difficulties that song has become a thing of the past. Compared with the eleven travelers of last year, there are only three leaving this year on Yuletide vacations.

Betty Jo Hood will set out on December 18 for Cedar Rapids, Iowa, for a two-week visit with her sister.

Florence Baker is going back to the old home town, Memphis, Tennessee, for a week's visit with her grandmother and friends.

The wilderness has called to Jack Varble, who plans a week's stay with his Boy Scout Troop at Glencoe, Rockwood Reservation, near Eureka. His activities will include the building of an obstacle course and bridge, and sleeping in a tent.

Stay-at-home Southwesterners vote unanimously for much-needed sleep, well mixed with Christmas festivities.

Holidays afford double pleasure for chosen few

"Whose birthday comes in the holidays?" asked a *Pioneer* reporter. Names of the students who responded are listed below, and to each a very happy birthday.

December 24: Though this is the last shopping day before Christmas, Jim Kilker hopes his friends won't be so busy they forget today is his birthday.

December 25: The honor of having her birthday on Christmas day goes to Dorothy Lutral.

December 26: The "J's" have it on this day—Jennie Aiello and Jeanette Winfrey share the same birthday.

December 27: Betty Ann Gertz thinks people born on the holidays are lucky if they receive both Christmas and birthday presents.

December 28: Dorothy Darr is hoping for the final records of the "Nutcracker Suite," while Earl De la Roche plans to celebrate his birthday by going out "with the best-looking girl in the school." Ahem!

December 30: Ruth Schnorbus does not mind this birthday because her friends usually give her a gift for each occasion.

December 31: Marjorie Baker stays up extra late on her birthday—she watches the New Year in.

Sw cagers down Roosevelt, 28-13 in first league game of season

Girls' Sport Whirl

by Audrey Wuest

Are you in need of relaxation after those trying hours of Christmas shopping? Why not try bowling? This will take your mind off the problems of trying to decide just what to get for your latest heart-throb or maybe some distant relative who always sends you such ridiculous gifts.

Salute Jeanne Schwarz, Southwest's champion bowler, for once again coming out on top of the list for the high score of 150.

In the last two weeks 22 other girls, besides Jeanne, bowled 100 or better. They are as follows: Betty Pinkley, 134; Jean Mitchell, 131; Frances Baldes, 130; Gladys Lelich, 128; Frances Labitske, 128; Audrey Lipka, 127; Jane Cleaneay, 123; Ruth Hilch, 120; Betty Rose Petri, 119; Gerry Reneau, 116; Audrey Vogel, 114; Lois Amburgey, 114; Helen Geran, 114; Marcella Sayers, 113; Margaret Danner, 112; Arline Shell, 111; Ruth Linton, 110; Lillian Gartner, 107; Jeanne Zeller, 105; Virginia Bentz, 101; Dolores Pyeatt, 100; and Catherine Dunlap, 100.

Outstanding teams

Outstanding teams of the week are numbers 5 and 8. Ruth Hilch, Jane Cleaneay, Helen Geran and Gerry Reneau, all of team 5, have kept their scores well above the 100 mark. Also Jeanne Schwarz, Marcella Sayers, Jeanne Zeller and Arline Shell of team 8 have done quite well for themselves. Frances Baldes, Frances Labitske and Jean Mitchell of team 1 receive honorable mention.

Collection of tin first Wednesday of each month

The regular collection of tin cans in this section of the city is scheduled for the first Wednesday of each month, it was announced recently. Reminder notices of collections will appear in the newspapers.

Tin is indispensable as a war metal. It has no substitute in such uses as the bushings and bearings for gun mounts, airplane motors, canisters of gas masks, and, most important of all, containers to carry food to our troops.

No tin is mined within the continental United States; the sources from which 90% of our tin was derived are in the hands of the Japanese. All tin in the future must come from salvage within our borders.

The entire tin can is salvaged; 1½% is tin, which can be reclaimed; the other 98½% is sheet steel, also reclaimable.

To prepare cans for salvaging, wash and dry the empty can, remove the label, cut off

'Four-Horsemen' score 24 points

Southwest defeated Roosevelt in the second game of the first league double-header of the season at St. Louis U. Gym. Friday night, December 11, by a 28-13 score.

In the opening game Soldan swamped Blewett by an overwhelming majority. These triple-headers begin again on January 8 and continue for seven consecutive weeks.

Southwest opens with rush

Southwest opened with a rush in the first quarter, with Jennings sinking three field goals and Boeckemeier, one. At the end of the quarter, Southwest was leading, 8-0.

The second quarter was much like the first, the Longhorns getting eight more points while the Rough Riders gathered a field goal and two free throws, the half ending 16-4.

The third quarter saw little scoring on either side, Southwest getting a field goal and two free throws while Roosevelt got two free throws.

In the final period, Coach Polster substituted freely and the reserves came through in great shape; the final score was 28-13.

The outstanding feature of the game was the tight defensive play of the Longhorns as is shown by the fact that the Rough Riders got but one field goal in the first three periods and only four during the entire game. Set-up shots for the Rough Riders were almost as scarce as the proverbial "hen's teeth."

With SW boys playing the type of basketball which ranks with the best, it seems that the student body should get behind the boys and show their appreciation by attending the games.

Get a season pass

Since the opener came the same night as the operetta, the small crowd was excusable. Get a season ticket, see the Soldan game and "follow the Longhorns."

both ends and place them inside the can, which should then be flattened. Cans prepared thus are easily saved, packaged and transported to reclamation plants.

The need for tin is urgent; all tin must come from the homes of Americans.

SW musicians drill at armory

Twenty-eight SW musicians, who have been chosen as band members for the Missouri National Guard, will play under the direction of Mr. Monachesi for drill every Thursday evening at the armory.

The SW Unit, along with two other units of enlisted men, will be under the general direction of Captain Ernst Hares,

Anything can happen and it usually does

That old adage, "anything can happen," comes through once more; this time on the bowling alleys. While he was bowling in the league on Thursday, December 10, Len Lucken threw a strike.

Ah, but it was not an ordinary strike; this was something extraordinary. As Len threw the ball down the alley, bent on getting another strike, the ball stuck to his thumb and then came off just in time to go in the gutter. But a funny thing happened—instead of going the rest of the way in the gutter, the ball bounced out and back on the alley, and guess what! Yes, you're right. It was a strike.

Len almost fell back to his place and seemed very happy until he remembered that a ball, once in the gutter, doesn't count.

All-Stars, Hunike gather honors in bowling league

Hello, bowling fans. Have you been keeping up with the latest bowling records at Southwest? In first place with nineteen victories and five defeats are the All-Stars, a winnings combination made up of George Pflaster, Carl Hunike, Don Gerngross, Bob Repohl and Harold Miller. The fight for second place is a little more complicated for at present the Bowldiers, with Charles Deters, John Winterton, Bud Donahue, Kenny Hauck and Sam Hauck, all nu-jays, are tied with the Dynamos, consisting of Dick Bird, Walter Siefert, Vince Hunter, Dick Neupert and Charles Bauer.

In fourth place, not far behind the leaders, are the King Pins with 14 victories and 10 defeats. The records of the league are completed as follows:

5. Alley Rats, 6. Minute Men, 7. Pin Bawlers, 8. Herculeans, 9. Slow Rollers, 10. Gliders, 11. Gutterdusters.

This completes the team standings.

In the fight for individual honors Carl Hunike still leads the field with an average of 173. George Pflaster is next with 168, followed closely by Harold Miller's 167. The league season is drawing to a close with only a few more games left on the schedule. These will be completed after the Christmas holidays.

supervisor of Instrumental and Vocal Music in the St. Louis High Schools.

The officers and drum majors will be chosen from the SW unit.

Good Sports

Here they are, kids! At last we've corralled some of those elusive members of the Girls' Swimming Club.

Roberta Gill

First, meet Roberta Gill, Pioneer staff member, who joined the Swimming Club this fall. Roberta, a six, says she just "paddled around" until she learned to swim this summer at camp and became interested enough to join the Swimming Club.

"It's really a grand opportunity, and loads of fun, besides," is Roberta's opinion of the Monday afternoon spent at the Downtown Y. W. C. A. Although she is now just working on her Beginner's Test, she has great aspirations for the future.

Another Beginner

Emma Rose Rush is another candidate for the Beginner's rank, and also a member of the Club for the first time this fall.

"I really do like swimming," Emma Rose, a four, says, "but it's pretty hard for me to get the proper breathing."

Although she never swam before, Emma Rose is considered by Miss Sullivan, the sponsor, as a promising swimmer.

Now an Intermediate

Next we have Elaine Pauly, a three, who just passed her Beginner's Tests, and is now working on those for Intermediates. She has been swimming almost ever since she remembers, so it is not at all unusual that this should be her favorite sport.

"No, the tests weren't so very hard," she decided, hastily adding, "that is—except the backstroke. It was hard!"

This is her first, but she hopes not her last year in the Swimming Club.

And—a Swimmer

Yes, "there are such things" as real honest-to-goodness swimmers, though they're somewhat rare.

One of the girls at SW to reach this goal of all members of the Club is Evelyn Kidwell, a member of the Swimming Club for the past two years.

Evelyn, a four, has had the further honor of being chosen as teacher for the other girls not quite so proficient as she.

"I've been swimming since I was 'so high,'" she says, "and now I want to try for the Junior Life Saving badge."

Keep up the good work, gals!

Notes about basketball

SW beats Normandy; Jennings high scorer

Southwest cagers defeated the Normandy five, 27-17, Tuesday, December 15, on the Vikings' floor. The home team scored first on a basket.

At half time the Longhorns were leading by a scant margin of two points. During the third period, however, the Longhorns scored six baskets in rapid succession and pulled ahead by a 20-12 margin.

The two teams then played a good defensive game in the fourth quarter, with the Longhorns racking up seven points to the Vikings' five, the Longhorns finally winning out, 27-17.

Both teams seemed off their stride and couldn't get going in the first half, although the Longhorns five was getting in some nice long shots from out on the floor.

Normandy plans games

Normandy is planning an annual holiday basketball tournament again; the dates will probably be December 26, 28, 29 and 30. Last year SW lost to South Side Catholic in the finals of the Consolation Tournament.

Normandy has one of the best gymnasiums in this area, and the tournament, always well managed, draws the outstanding teams from this part of the state. 24 teams took part last year; the same number will, in all probability, enter this year.

The defeat was the first for the Normandy team in three games. The victory was the fifth straight for our Longhorns, which shows the boys are really playing sound basketball this year.

High scorer for the Longhorns was Bill Jennings, center, who sunk four baskets for eight points. George Fuchs topped the Normandy squad with nine points.

Here's the basketball roster; all 15 of them

Since basketball games are much more interesting when you can identify the players, you'll want to learn the numbers of the Southwest squad:

White Shirts		Green Shirts	
Name	No.	Name	No.
Bahn	87	Bahn	87
Becker	84	Becker	84
Boeckemeier	80	Boeckemeier	80
Jennings	83	Jennings	83
Kirwan	77	Kirwan	77
Maricle	89	Maricle	89
Mullins	79	Mullins	79
Oliver	78	Oliver	78
Loehrs	81	Loehrs	81
Parks	76	Parks	94
Rubich	86	Rubich	86
Halley	82	Halley	82
Lueke	85	Lueke	85
Miller	88	Miller	88
De La Roche	90	De La Roche	92

