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Southwest High School

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Friday, January 22, 1943

Class day and scheduled for first period monday

Program to include music, class prophesy, presentation of gift

Next Monday, January 25, is something to look forward to—it's senior class day! During the first period the class of January '43, adorned in their maroon and white caps and gowns, will present an aud session to the student body.

Numbers to be included are as follows:

Processional

Southwest High School Band
Mr. Libero Monachesi, director
Introduction by Oliver Keller, class president

Reply by Warren Miller, president of the sevens

Tenor solo by Earl Dungan

Clarinet solo by Allan Bren-

necke

Vocal solo—"One Kiss"

Margaretha Evertz

Marimba solo by Ralph Boeke-

meier

Class prophesy by Katherine Spanos and Francis Hunt

Vocal solo by Randall Teeuwen

Trumpet solo by Mary Graf

Vocal solo—"Estrillita"

Betty Martin

Piano solo by Elaine Kronzberg

Vocal Solo—"End of a Perfect

Day" Meta Betz
Medley—"Over There"

Orchestra
Presentation of Gift to the School

Bill Kehm, class treasurer

Reply by Mr. Sackett

Recessional

As in previous years, Miss Meyer and Mr. Monachesi are supervising the preparation of the musical numbers, while Miss Sullivan and Mr. Kittlaus have charge of training the seniors for the processional and the recessional.

Lauenstein wins Purdue award

Milton Lauenstein, winner of a Purdue University scholarship, plans to major in chemical engineering. He learned of his scholarship on January 12 and immediately made preparations to leave for Lafayette, Indiana, in time for classes at the university on February 6.

"I plan to stay in school through the summers and in that way I'll be able to complete a four-year course in two years and eight months," he says.

Awarding of Washington University Scholarship

Introduction of Speaker
Mr. R. R. Brisbin,
Assistant Principal

Awarding of Scholarship
Recessional—La Rene De Saba

Gounod
Southwest High School
Orchestra

What the future holds

For service men

If you have any good books, especially mysteries (they love 'em) lying around unused, bring them to Miss Cordell in the library. She will see that they reach appreciative service men.

Railfan movies

Rail Transit in St. Louis, a color film, will be featured at the Transportation Club meeting next Tuesday.

Produced by Will Goldschmidt, technical director of the club, it shows street cars now running in St. Louis, from "dinkies" of 1895 vintage to modern PCC streamliners.

Fewer blue Mondays

Coming—two long weekends in a row! Washington's birthday falls on a Monday and the very next Monday, March 1, teachers are to be free to attend convention meetings of the American Association of School Administrators.

Glenn Schultz gets book prize

Glenn Schultz, sports editor of the Pioneer and recently elected captain of the football team, was "surprised and happy" to hear last Tuesday that he had won the Harvard Book. "I hope I am really worthy of the honor," he added earnestly.

The Harvard Book, awarded each semester to an outstanding sixth semester boy, was presented by Mr. George D. Markham of the Harvard Club of St. Louis at an aud session Wednesday afternoon.

Four other sixes, Clarence Bergman, Jack Maier, Milton Duncan, and Gordon O'Neill, were considered by the Faculty Council.

'Roundup' staff reveals winners and runners-up in literary competition

Marshall tops poets; Ottenad's story and Kaufman's essay win

You can all uncross your fingers now—results of the 1943 Roundup literary contests are in. Grand winners are Kenneth Kaufman, Kathleen Marshall and Herman Ottenad.

Kenneth Kaufman, a fifth semester student, of Mr. Kent's advisory group, took first place in the essay division with his *On Fishing*. In second and third places were Gilbert Meier's *The Storm and Patriotism as an American Sees It* by Glenn Schultz, Pioneer sports editor.

In the poetry division Kathleen Marshall's *You've Been A Climbing* came in first. In her fifth semester, Kathleen is a member of Miss Rothman's advisory group. *On Revoking the Muses* by Ray Griffith, Pioneer managing editor, and *Flight* by Bob Horton were judged second and third best.

Freshman wins

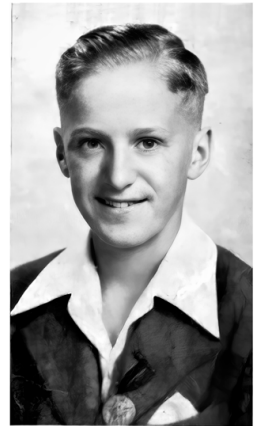
Herman Ottenad's *A Tribute to Joe* gained first place in the short story division, a first semester student. Also of Miss Rothman's group, Herman has the distinction of being the youngest ever to make the Pioneer staff. Following in second and third place, come *Disillusion* by Sally Clapp and *Mary Ann Steinman's Is This Worth Fighting For*.

As an aid to impartial judging, Miss Price, this year's English department chairman, clipped names from entries and gave each a number. A committee of English teachers, made up of Miss Byrne, Miss O'Brien and Miss Steffen acted as judges.

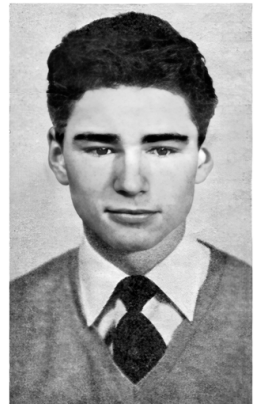
Free 'Roundup' for winners

The three grand winners will be presented with a free autographed copy each of the 1943 Roundup, in which the winning essay, short story and poem will be printed.

Contest winners



Herman Ottenad, a first term-er, wanted to get an early start in his journalistic career (he is already on the Pioneer staff) and so he wrote his first prize-winning story, *A Tribute to Joe*, on his own time.



Kenneth Kaufman, a fifth semester student, who won first prize with his informal essay *On Fishing*, wrote his winning composition as a regular class assignment in Miss McIntire's special composition class for fifth semester students.



Kathleen Marshall, also in her fifth semester, like Kenneth, wrote her entry, *You've Been A Climbing*, which came in first in the poetry contest, as a regular class assignment. Kathleen is a member of the Roundup staff.

'We Face Tomorrow' theme of graduation

"We Face Tomorrow" will be the theme of the graduating exercises next Wednesday at 8 p. m. in the school auditorium.

The program is as follows:

Processional—Pomp and

Circumstance Edgar

Southwest High School

Orchestra

Mr. Libero Monachesi, Director

A Cappella Choir—

Agnes Dei Kalinnikof

Hospodi Pomilui

Miss Leontone Meyer, Director

Theme—We Face Tomorrow

Oliver Keller, President of

Class, January, 1943

Oration—Our Educational Pre-

paration Richard Cohen

Oration—Our Tomorrow of Ser-

vice Marilyn Mesloh

Vocal Solo—Spirit

Flower Campbell-Tipton

Bette Martin

Oration—Our Part in Peace

June Krueger

Oration—Our Four-Point Faith

Robert Mason

Vocal Solo—Through the Silent

Night Rachmaninoff

Margaretha Evertz

Presentation of Class—

Mr. C. H. Sackett Principal

Awarding of Diplomas—

Mr. John A. Fleischli

Member of the

Board of Education

Now It Can Be Told

Waller Elected Council President

by AGNES KUEHNER

Here they come down the stretch, neck 'n neck. It's goin' to be a close one, folks. It may even be a tie! No, he's g-a-i-n-i-n-g. He wins by a nose!

Presenting the winnah, with a wreath around his neck and a sparkle in his eye, the new Student Council president, Harlan (Mike) Waller!

Other officers

Election of the other Council officers was held in conjunction with the presidential election on Wednesday, January 13, following a double auditorium session.

The results are:
Donald Scott Vice-President

Jane Howlett Secretary
Audrey Wuest Treasurer

All the foregoing officers were elected from a list of eight candidates, who had been chosen by the future seniors to serve as their Student Council representatives next semester.

Standards by which each representative was judged are scholarship, leadership and capability in handling Council affairs.

Those candidates chosen were: Raymond Griffith, Jeanne Hale, Jane Howlett, Calvin Kieffer, Elsie Leaver, Donald Scott, Harlan Waller and Audrey Wuest.

Immediately after the advis-

ory period half the student body went to the auditorium to hear the speeches of these eight candidates, after which they went back to advisories to vote.

Then the other half went to the auditorium to hear speeches notable for their brevity, serious tone and delivery.

Newly elected officers will take over their positions at the beginning of the spring semester.

They will replace the following officers, who are graduating:
Stanley Young President
Carl Bennett Vice-President
Mary Ellen Scott Secretary
Irene Vaughn Treasurer



It's Yours Now.

A question to ponder

Where do we go from here? The members of the January, 1943, graduating class may well ponder this question. Just a short while ago they looked forward to college and then to a busy happy world of tomorrow. Now the world has become a neighborhood and time alone will tell whether it will be a free neighborhood or a regimented one.

Right now the graduates have but one choice, service to their country. Many of them will have reached the age of 18 before graduation and others will reach that age shortly after. Their college ambitions will in all probability have to be postponed for a while. Their immediate decision will have to be—"Where can we best serve our country?—in the army, air force, navy or other branches of the service?"

But this immediate obligation should not smother their ambition. They should plan to win the war, but more than that to win the peace. They should make plans right now to continue their education at the earliest possible moment.

Whatever vocation they choose, may they resolve to use their minds and bodies to make the world of tomorrow a haven where free men and women may enjoy "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

Sponsors bid Graduates farewell

Yours is a distinctive class.

You have encountered many unusual events brought on by the war, among them such things as classmates in the armed services, priorities, and rationing.

You have been called on for contributions of both time and money to support new war time activities.

For most of you boys, graduation will be followed by your entry into some branch of our country's armed service. For all of you, your future is unpredictable.

Yours is a strong class, a strong class led by excellent officers.

You have more than fulfilled your obligations. You have capably met every emergency. You are made of the stuff that will bring victory to our glorious country and build a world for tomorrow founded on just and permanent peace.

Please accept our sincerest wishes for your success, in the future.

William A. Gerber
Clare G. Byrne

And President Keller answers

Dear Alma Mater:

As we face the difficulties of tomorrow, we are grateful, indeed, for the wise guidance and thorough preparation you have afforded us. We want to thank you, also, for the many happy memories we shall carry away. Animated by faith and courage, we now stand ready to answer America's call to arms. May our service to our country and its allies bring reflected glory to you.

Ave et vale, Southwest.

Oliver Keller

THE PIONEER PRESENTS

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It's 1963 - - and a January '43 grad meets celebrities at class reunion

'Pie Eyed Deer' reveals identity; surveys seniors for last time

Hale and farewell, Seniors! We have a distinctive class; it's the first in which the male members will be counted as they leave the auditorium on graduation night—counted by members of the local draft board.

We'll always remember

Jim Naughton and Dick Stanley making an effort (?) to imitate "Pagliacci," "Faust" and "Carmen."

Gus Lombardo's and Sam Gravnaga's deep bass voices.

Bill Hackel's fine, up-standing head of hair.

"Hairless" Dick Neubert.
The piano playing of Elaine Kronzberg.

Alex Abatigis' wagging tongue.
Norma Jean Clerc's shortness.

Bob (Make-you-wanna-laugh) Fallert.

Elsie Falkenberg as "Jinx."
Roland Hamman as "Baker Boy."

Albert Foretti gracefully (?) running around the track.
Allen Brennecke and his horn.

Andy Zeller and quietness.
Bernice Glauser and chemistry.

The Seniors will—

To Mr. Kent and Miss Williams, Mr. Gerber's and Miss Byrne's superb handling of the senior advisory.

Now to answer your insistent question, "Who writes this thing?" we have been the
Pie Eyed Deer
alias
Bob Davis and Francis Hunt.

Seniors voted—

Evelyn Homewood, Oliver Keller—most popular.

Jean Houston, Gordon Garrey—best looking.

Mary Ellen Scott, Fred Mayer—best dressed.

Marilyn Mesloh, Milton Lauenstein—most intelligent.

Marilyn Mesloh, Milton Lauenstein—most likely to succeed.

Katherine Spanos, Benny Pucci—best dancers.

Ann Foster, Fred Mayer—best personality.

Ann Foster, Bill Kehm—most athletic.

Gift books reflect war

Action, thrills humor featured

This year the gift books to be presented to the SW library by the January '43 graduates show what a great influence the war has had on the world of literature.

Among these books are such interesting novels as *The Gaunt Woman*, a black-hulled square rigger which supplies torpedoes, time bombs and other explosives to German U-boats that prey on shipping in the North Atlantic Ocean.

See Here, *Private Hargrove*. Private Marion Hargrove's humorous account of what happens when his ideas meet the Army. It is highly entertaining for both young and old.

As a contrast to this, seniors have chosen *Paul Revere and the World He Lived In* by Ester Forbes, a book for the more serious minded, although it is written very entertainingly. It is the story of the years preceding the American Revolution, intermingled with the life of Paul Revere, the jack-of-all-trades.

Another that deserves mention is *They Were Expendable*, by W. L. White, well-known war correspondent. This is one of the first great stories of our war as seen by the men who fight it. Lieutenant Bulkeley, Lieutenant Robert Kelly, Ensign Anthony Akers and George E. Cox, Jr., the four survivors of the Motor Torpedo Boat Squadron 3, relate the tragic events that occurred during the Philippine campaign. It is not only their own experiences but those of men who fight on land and in the air.

Besides the books mentioned above, the graduates have others under consideration.

Dear Diary,

Today, January 22, 1963, I went to the annual class reunions, quite a few celebrities were there and I recognized them all. I saw Donald McClaren, the croquet champion—he was talking to Mary Ellen Scott, the famous yodeler.

We all laughed when June Krueger fell off the bottom step, while showing one of her new ballet steps to Millard Smith, the music critic for Robert Fleischl's magazine, *Music Berled*. Raleigh Robinson, the

winner of the Dover Boys Yacht Club Trophy, got into an argument with the botanist for the Garrey Flower Forum, Allen Brennecke. A waiter, carrying a pitcher of ice-water, broke up the argument when he tripped over the nationally-known sculptress, Jean Alexander's feet.

Not only did the waiter break up the argument but he also ruined the statue of a mouse Jean was working on. Harold Winkler, the painter, brought his portrait of the musical comedy star, Gypsy Rose Mitchell, to the dinner, and, while he was demonstrating the path of a new planet, the famous astronomer, Richard Cohen, spilled a spoonful of soup on it. There was no damage done as the picture was painted with Stienkemeyer Soup-Proof Varnish.

Bio-chemist Robert Bahn brought souvenirs for everyone. They were little pats of his famous synthetic butter. The famous poet, Jackson Ebbinger, was unable to attend because at the moment he was communing with the flowers.

The soiree broke with "Torchy" Foster singing "I'll Get Green with Jealousy, Yellow Jaundice. Anything for You." She was accompanied by Robert Mason, on the instrument he made famous, the tuba.

Well, diary, I guess I'll stop now—besides there's no more space for six months.

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Class officers, seated on the two center benches are from left to right: Ann Foster, girls' sergeant-at-arms; Bill Kehm, boys' treasurer; Katherine Spanos, girls' secretary; Oliver Keller, president; Evelyn Homewood, vice-president; Fred Mayer, boys' secretary; Ethel McRaven, girls' treasurer; Benny Pucci, boys' sergeant-at-arms.

DUESSEL kill you or

Take it with a GRANA salt

by DON SCOTT

Once there was a YOUNG grocery CLERC named ALEXANDER JONES who lived in the town of KRONZBERG, in that section known as HOMEWOOD. His employer, Ebenezer CLADER, was a HARDT man and used to HACKEL him constantly. ALEX worked faithfully, saving as much of his hard-earned money as possible so that he could marry his sweetheart. His step-mother BOLESINA, who was cruel and miserly, ANDERSON were separated.

Every day CLADER's SCHROELL voice would CROW: "Work FOSTER, or I'll fire you at once!" In his haste one day he slipped on a BONANNO, dropped a display piece and BENNETT badly. The old BIRD immediately gave him the WORKS, and told him to get out. "I'm COHEN, but I'll be back," said ALEX, sidestepping the swing of a KANE and slamming the door.

"I'll HUNT another job," mumbled our tattered hero as he passed a barking PUCCI, "for I'm LUEKEN sorta shabby and plan to marry my gal LALLY LEIMBACH in a few weeks."

He applied at GROVE's Pet Shop, GLAUSER's Drug Store, LOMBARDO's Fruit Market, The CAMPBELL Soup Company, and many other places before he finally wound up with the VAUGHN Vacuum Sweeper Company as a commission salesman. Weeks passed, and always he heard the same reply, "NOVAKuum sweepers needed." His finances dwindled, and he grew very discouraged, but finally his luck changed. One day, as ALEX was passing the BAUMGARTH Bomber Plan a hail of shots burst forth and as he threw himself

to the ground, a man carrying a black satchel ran out and tripped over him, landing on his SCHNORBUS.

The man was HESSLERVON DREHLE arch Nazi spy, and was out so cold they had to GARREY him away. For his brave deed ZIEBOLD hero was given a big reward, and with it he was able to WYNNE his sweetie and WALKER to the altar. He built a beautiful mansion with a big HALL in KAMBITCH, Massachusetts. The GERNGROSS covers the lawns of his estate, and he has a shiny new FALKENBERG CARR with a HOOD a mile long and it gets SIMONIZED every day. His little wife knows how to run her HOUSEWRIGHT, and all BETZ point to a happy married life. EVERTZ see such a lucky guy?

Seniors to lunch at Chase Hotel

Following the class day and next Monday, Seniors will head for the Starlight Roof of the Chase Hotel for a 1 o'clock luncheon.

Katherine Spanos and Fred Mayer are serving as co-chairmen in charge of entertainment. Members of the reception committee are Oliver Keller, Evelyn Homewood, Ann

They're in the Navy Now!

Red and Gail forfeit graduation

Robert Stewart and Gail Anderson were sworn into the Navy on January 7, 1943. They left school the next day without waiting for the graduating exercises because they are close to 18 years of age and wanted to choose their branch of service.

After "boot" training in Great Lakes, they are going to try

Graduation robs SW

Again this year graduation takes its toll of students who have led Southwest on to notable achievements.

Halls of the alma mater will no longer echo the voices of soloists:

Margaretha Evertz, Bette Martin, Robert Stewart, Gail Anderson, Meta Betz and Randall Teeuwen.

They'll never again trip the light fantastic at SW:

Katherine Spanos, sparkling soloist.

Ruth Crozier, Gloria Eckerich, Marjorie McNabb, Ethel McRaven, Patricia Holston, Mary Ann Kennedy and Ruth Massot, participants in the dance groups.

SW will miss the inspired cheering of:

Oliver Keller and lanky Francis Hunt.

The band will lose:

Ralph Boekemeier Allan Brennecke, Shirley Duessel, Robert Fleischli, Mary Graf,

Foster and Benny Pucci, Ethel McRaven and Bill Kehm are in charge of ticket sales.

The main dish will be creamed-chicken (meat supplies permitting).

Bette Hood, Joseph Kambitch, Laverne Lubbert, Arthur Meyer and George Novak.

Certain outstanding Student Council members have attended their last Council meeting:

Carl Bennett, chairman of noontime entertainment.

David Dell, chairman of visitation committee.

Stanley Young, president.

They'll no longer be in the pit on those exciting opening nights:

Guido Ciuffa, Shirley Duessel, Rayma Kane and Stanley Young.

The College Club will forfeit:

President Bud Grove and the clever speeches of Oliver Keller, Evelyn Homewood, Milton Lauenstein, Ethel McRaven, Ed Fesler and Jean Mitchrich.

Miss Meenach's dramatics class will miss:

The inspired acting of Jane Crow, Gus Lombardo, June Oldani, Bonnie Ziebold and Alex Abatgis.

The Pan-American Club will lose:

Marilyn Mesloh, delegate to the central council of the Pan-American Clubs of Greater St. Louis.

Graduation takes eight 'Pioneer' staff members

Marilyn Mesloh, editor-in-chief of the Pioneer since January, 1942, and Ruth Terry, business manager for the same period, will graduate next Wednesday, leaving important positions to be filled next semester.

"Working on this last issue of the Pioneer has made me realize how much I will miss the hard work and fun in room 215," says Marilyn. When she was a five, she took advanced composition and at the same time served as news editor. As a six she became managing editor and reached her goal of editor-in-chief as a seven.

Marilyn plans to attend a business school until June and enter college in September to study business administration. Active in school affairs, she is a member of A Cappella Choir and the College and Pan-American Clubs. She has never had any grade but "E" despite the time she puts on extra-curricular activities.

Ruth Terry, business manager, under the guidance of Miss de Liniere, takes care of sales campaigns, collection of subscription money, paying bills, and distributing each issue of the Pioneer. Her favorite subject is English. She plans to get a job after graduation. "I'll miss the Pioneer campaign more than anything else," she admits.

Also graduating are Make-up Editor Ed Fesler. Copy Editors Meta Betz, Bob Mason and Anna Belle Gianino, and Typists Margaret Mackley and Ruth Massot.

WE'LL NEVER FORGET

Wonderful bowling — Don McClaren.

Famous speeches — Warren Shields.

Secret Agent — Jean Brannen.

Tallness — Lawrence Stienke-meyer.

Librarian — Betty Lou Graa.

Excuses — James Jones.

a six, having gone first to Blewett. Red's favorite sport is swimming; Gail would rather hunt than eat.

Both boys believe their French will be a great help.

Southwest will always remember them for their performances in operettas, band shows and other musical programs.

for the V-5 plan. If possible, they would like to get on the radio program, *Here's Your Navy*.

Alike in their navy interests, they differ in many ways. Robert Stewart, better known around school as Red, graduated from Roe School and came immediately to Southwest; while Gail waited until he was

Longhorn quintet tosses Blewett, 38-16, for third straight league victory

'Four Horsemen' spark team on to third win

In their third league game of the season, last Friday night at the St. Louis U. gym, the Longhorn cagers handed the Blewett Griffins a 38-16 setback. This win marked the cagers' third win in three starts in the Public High Basketball League and enabled them to retain their first place position in the league.

Again the Longhorns' great defense proved itself too much for the opposing team as Tony Rubich, Bob Oliver and Melvin Becker kept Blewett scorers from getting in close enough to get good shots.

High scorers for the Longhorns were Robert Bahn with nine points and Ralph Boekemeier and Bill Jennings with seven points each.

Southwest's team strength was definitely shown when Blewett was able to score only one field goal in the last quarter against the Southwest substitutes.

When the first quarter opened Boekemeier scored twice on two field goals. Blewett scored on a foul shot and Boekemeier scored again on a foul shot. Then Blewett threatened to take the lead when they tallied twice on two very long field goals before Jennings sank a basket and Rubich, a foul shot to end the quarter.

In the second and third quarters Bahn, Jennings, Rubich, Loehrs, Kirwan and Oliver packed up a total of 27 points against Blewett's nine points.

Against Southwest substitutions Blewett was able to score only two points in the last quarter against three for the Longhorns. Maricic and Miller scored for the Longhorns. The final score was Southwest, 38; Blewett, 16.

SW, 41; Soldan, 20

SW cagers trounced Soldan, Red Division Champions of the Normandy tournament, by the score of 41-20 at the St. Louis U. gym January 8. Bill Jennings and Robert Bahn were high point men for the Longhorns.

SW Longhorns definitely proved that they had great defense when Bob Oliver and Tony Rubich blocked up Soldan would-be shooters and held the Soldan score down to 20 points.

Three SW Sevens to enter Washington U.

Milton Canis, David Bensinger and Gordon O'Neill are leaving Southwest with the January '43 class to attend Washington University, even though they are only sevens.

Washington plans to admit, for the duration of the war, students who have completed three and a half year's work, provided candidates rank in the upper third of the high school class and can pass a scholastic aptitude test.

When Seniors were green

FOUR LONG YEARS AGO—

This was the sport news when those venerable seniors were just plain little nu-jays!

Mr. Detering, Mr. Kittlaus' amanuensis on the football field came to Southwest in January, 1939. (Just like the class of January '43.) Misses Funk, McNamara, Nuebling, Randolph, Skinner, and Woody were new that semester, too.

In a poll of high school coaches, Southwest's basketball team was selected as the team "most likely to finish in last place." How times change!

One hundred twenty-five boys answered Mr. Kittlaus' call for the track team.

The swimming squad closed their season, together with Coach Kent, over a steak dinner at Ruggeri's.

The Longhorns' baseball team handled the McKinley Goldbugs their first defeat on May 11, after shutting out the Wash. U. team on May 5.

Southwest participated in its first annual Field Day! Hopes were with Winkler, Downing, Hunt, Kreutzer, Kune, Bischmann, Buhler and Williamson.

Pvt. Rosenkranz writes gratitude for cards, gifts

Southwest returned to school on January 4 to find two letters from Mr. Rosenkranz. One addressed to Miss McIntire's English 5-3 class, was an enthusiastic letter of thanks for a cigarette case delivered to him by Santa Claus in the name of this class, which he had taught until Uncle Sam called him early in November. Selection of the gift had been entrusted by the class to Bob Horton, Florence Baker and Sally Clapp.

In the other letter addressed to Mr. Sackett, he said he wished he might acknowledge with a personal letter each of the many cards and letters that had come to brighten his Christmas (he spent it in 24-hour guard duty), but he is "so pressed for time that ten minutes of

leisure seem like a three-day furlough."

Hikes, drills, forced marches through mud, rain, snow and darkness, shooting on the range, driving tanks and attending classes in map reading, gunnery, military law, tactics, range finding, gymnasium crowd his days to the hilt. His evenings are spent in attending a "prep" school for OCS.

In closing he wrote, "From the news dispatches I think we are all justified in hoping for a happier new year in a world returned to sanity, justice and peace."

Cagers play Cleveland next Friday evening

In the third game of a triple header, on Friday, January 23, the Longhorn cagers will play Cleveland, their closest contender for the league lead, at the St. Louis U. Gym. Plan to attend this game!

FUDGE EXPERT ANOTHER SAM SNEAD

B. J. Chervenka bags ace

by DOUG DAVIDSON



A beautiful tin-plated loving cup was presented at an aud session Tuesday, January 5, to Mr. B. J. Chervenka, SW chemistry teacher, in honor of his recent hole-in-one on Forest Park's across-the-lagoon No. 17 hole. As proof of this feat, Mr. Chervenka will show the score-

card with signatures of the other members of the foursome on the course with him that day, as well as the article that appeared on the sport page of the Globe-Democrat. This is his first ace and he's mighty glad he made it on such a difficult hole, especially after having done it with a number six iron.

Even though he is SW representative to the St. L. High School Athletic League, golf is the only sport that the famed fudge expert is able to spend much time on. He usually plays once or twice a week, consistently maintaining an average score of around 85.

The only thing that seems to stop the regular games of these men is snow or rain; for all year they brave the coldest and the hottest weather, seeking the golfer's reward, or, as Mr. Chervenka says, "— a five mile walk."

Graduation hits sports hard; 21 lettermen go

by BOB DAVIS

Southwest sports will lose 21 lettermen when the January '43 graduates leave next week. Football will be the hardest hit, losing eight lettermen. Track will lose six; basketball, three; tennis, golf and baseball, two each.



—Courtesy of Post-Dispatch.
Bill Kehm

Ben Pucel or "Pooch" as he is called by his many friends, won his three letters in football in '40, '41 and '42. He played left tackle. He, like Bill, is a class officer, the sergeant-at-arms.

The following boys have two letters to their credit:

Art Meyers received his letters in football as student manager and one in track for being a crack miler.

Mel Becker got his letters in basketball in the '41-'42 seasons playing guard and running the 880 on the track team.

Jim Jones received his letters in baseball as student manager in '40 and for playing guard on the '42 football eleven.

Playing on the golf team for two years, Fred Mayer earned one letter each season the last one as captain of the squad. He is also a class officer holding down the boys' secretarial duties.

The following boys have earned one letter each:

Tony Rubich won his letter on the basketball squad in the '41-'42 season. This year he is captain of the team and has been playing guard.

Ralph Boekemeier letter playing forward on the '41-'42 basketball squad.

Ed Fesler won his letter playing golf on the 1942 team.

Guy Walker won his letter on the track team in 1938.

Richard Stanley received his letter on the 1940 track team for shot putting.

Clair Stevens, June '41, Russell Dyer, Jan. '42, send service addresses

Clair Stevens, class of June '41, lately wrote his former adviser, Miss Kimber, from Great Lakes Training Station, "I really like the navy! There are so many opportunities for promotion here that a fellow can go places if he tries, and I am really trying hard"

Address your letters to him

Clair E. Stevens V6AS
Co. 1902—U. S. N. T. S.
Great Lakes. Ill.

Russell Dyer, class of January '42, also a former member of Miss Kimber's group, now is seeing action as a member of the marines somewhere over

Bill Kehm takes undisputed first place with five letters: three in football and two in baseball. He was a member of the Longhorn baseball team, which brought the first championship to Southwest. Bill held down the quarterback spot on the gridiron and on the diamond played the outfield.

He was placed on the All-City football team selected by the Star-Times sports writers. Besides being active in athletics, Bill (who goes by the nickname of "Wee Wee") is treasurer of the Senior class. After graduation he plans to enter the Navy.

Playing end on the football team, Jim Thompson earned his letter stopping those end runs.

Dick Nuebert received his letter for serving on the 1942 track team.

Johnny Pulos played guard on the '42 football team.

Lon Stienkemeyer earned his letter playing tackle on the '42 football squad.

Dick Cohen earned his letter running on the 1942 track team.

Charlie Steiner, "Mr. Five by Five," earned his letter playing tackle on the 1942 football squad.

Gordon Garrey won his letter playing end on the '42 football squad.

Leonard Lueken won his letter playing on the championship tennis team. He played doubles.

Bob Davis the other half of the doubles team, earned his letter as captain of the championship tennis team.

A Cappella nets \$247.93 for Xmas Carolers Assoc.

"This is our very best report. You were wonderful—thanks so much." This was the personal postscript to a form letter that lately came to Southwest A Cappella carolers from the Christmas Carolers Association, reporting that of \$2,500 turned in by all school groups, Southwest accounted for \$247.93—\$140.13 from Amertorp and \$107.80 from the Union Station.

Collections from all city caroling units amounted to \$14,000.

As the letter said: "The caroling is over for another year, but the benefits of your efforts will go on throughout 1943 to underprivileged and needy children of the city and county."

In addition to the collection by the SW choir, the SW Alumnae choir turned in \$27.19 as a result of their caroling in St. Louis Hills on Christmas Eve.

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Present members of Russell's old advisory are subscribing to the *Pioneer* for him.