

# The Pioneer

## Southwest High School

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### What's in the wind

• Today . . . report cards . . . 8 p.m. first presentation of "Sweethearts" in SW aud. Tickets—75 cents at school, 90 cents at the door.

## Future nurses planning bake sale Dec. 14

The SW members of the Future Nurses of America are busy fulfilling their newly acquired motto "Not for ourselves but for all." As a service project they are planning a bake sale Dec. 14 at the Hampton Village Food Center. The money earned will be spent on Christmas toys and books for distribution to the children in Deaconess hospital.

Fifteen members climaxed their tour of Barnes Hospital Nov. 16 by watching a stomach operation from a balcony over the surgery table. "We've been visiting several hospitals seeing classrooms, student nurses' homes, wards and labs, explained Jocelyn Abromovich, in charge of programs.

"The operations are the most interesting, but we sometimes lose a weak member. Since most of us are planning to go into nurse's training soon, it's a wonderful opportunity to see first hand what we will be doing."

Last Wednesday they visited Jewish hospital, where Judy Hay, Charlotte Webster and Jocelyn Abromovich will enroll next fall.

The club has just finished writing its constitution and motto to under the leadership of Mrs. Carter, faculty adviser; Charlotte Webster, president; Jocelyn Abromovich, vice-president; Sharon Moeller, secretary; and Kay Kerman, treasurer.

• Tomorrow, 8 p.m. . . . final presentation of operetta.  
• Saturday, 3 p.m. . . . League Basketball . . . SW vs. Cleveland.  
• Wednesday, 8 p.m. . . . basketball . . . SW vs. McBride.

• Friday, the 13th . . . basketball . . . SW vs. Webster.  
• Dec. 17 . . . PTA meeting at 1 o'clock in SW aud.  
• Dec. 18 . . . SW vs. CBC in non-league basketball.

## Mr. Pflieger new English teacher

A new teacher, Mr. Robert Pflieger, recently joined the SW faculty, replacing Mrs. Moore, who is on a leave of absence.

Mr. Pflieger, with degrees in education from Washington University, is at present teaching classes in English lit, English 5, composition and reading literature.

He previously taught journalism and sponsored newspapers at Ferguson and Maplewood high schools. At one time Mr. Pflieger did public relations work for an oil company, which included a stint of traveling magic demonstration. He has also done free lance writing. About 150 Missouri newspapers, including the old Star-Times, have carried his work.

With all this journalistic experience, he comments, "The Pioneer is a fine high school paper, especially the layout."

His hobbies include dramatics, a white cocker spaniel named Terry, and golf; though he claims with a grin that his game is "lousy."

### La Rue Francaise

## Barr runs one-man newspaper

Did you think the Pioneer was the only newspaper at SW? If you did, you were wrong.

## Dramatics class to act for PTA

"A Christmas Promise," a play by Helen Louise Miller, will be the feature of the PTA meeting Dec. 17 at 1 p.m. The cast will come from Dramatics 1-23, under the direction of Miss Gould Meenach.

The plot revolves around a girl-shy teenage boy, Greg Collins, whose mother, father and sister promise that he will date three different girls on Christmas. At first Greg refuses, but at the ending all is well.

This play will be repeated for the freshmen on Dec. 20 at their annual Christmas aud.

The cast has not been chosen as yet; class members are still competing for the parts.

The honor is shared by *La Revue Francaise*, written, edited and produced by Nicholas Barr, semester four of Miss C. Mueller's advisory.

Like the PIONEER, *La Revue Francaise* is a bi-weekly; however, it comes out on Wednesdays instead of Fridays. It is available FREE to members of the French Club, consists of two pages and has a one-man staff . . . the PIONEER has a staff of 45.

"I'd like to be on the PIONEER sometime," says Nicholas, "but right now I have enough to do in the projection club, auditorium crew and the duplicating service . . . I run the paper off on the school duplicator.

Material for the paper is taken mainly from French magazines, and Nicholas' brother, Specialist 3rd class Barr, stationed in Tours, France, often sends interesting tales.



Miss Boedecker's Art 3-67 class, one of the co-operating groups for tonight's operetta, "Sweethearts." Front row, left to right: Shirley Ballowe, Jana Moore. Second row: Sandra Black, Susan Black, Marilyn Calenterra, Diane Ferraris, Carolyn Butler, Nancy Grubbs. Third row: Vernetta Dillon, Margaret Kuehn, Janice Watson, Joyce Brown, Bob Pflieger, Virginia Hahn, Bill Seely, Rosa Lee Johnson, Karl Schweizer, Dick Shitamoto, Tom Carney.

## Co-operation keynote of tonight's show

Tonight at 8 o'clock the curtain on SW auditorium stage will rise on what promises to be a spirited and smooth production of the operetta *Sweethearts*.

Much of the success will be due to the cast members, who have worked for two months to perfect their parts. But equally important are the many people, both teachers and students, who have put time and effort in the behind-scenes activities.

Heading the list are the directors, Miss Hachtman, Miss Meyer and Mr. Monachesi.

The orchestra has worked diligently every day during the seventh period and often after school. Under the direction of Mr. Monachesi, they have been

perfecting such popular tunes as "The Little Shoemaker," "Waltzing Cat," and "Jazz Pizcicato" by Leroy Anderson, and "Embassy Waltz" from "My Fair Lady," all of which will be heard in "Sweethearts."

### Seasoned musicians

To some orchestra members, accompanying an operetta is quite a common thing. Judie Hay, Karl Kneile, Janet Kraus, and Sue Schork are participating in their fourth operetta, while Brent Baker, Carole Burrs, James Carothers, Joan Eckhoff, Michael Kurtz, Claire Linhart, John Scheitlin, Mary Ann Schmidt and Don Sherman are in their third.

Among those who have held "first chairs" are Betty Wash-eck, Vincent Pavia, Jim Carothers and Judie Hay.

### Singing choruses

The six singing groups, two Advanced Choruses, Boys, Girls, Jr. Girls' Glee and Choir, are all participants in choruses throughout the two acts of the operetta. Contributing to the dancing are the waltz and tap groups under the direction of Miss Jean Mueller. The girls in the dancing chorus are from the tap and modern dance groups.

The prompter is Carole Knickmeyer; while the lights and microphones, under the direction of Mr. Van Laningham, are being handled by Jerry Johnson, Jordon Eggers, Roger Hall, Gene Ziervogel, William Viviano, Nick Barr and Roger Ebinger.

Keeping an accurate attend-

## Bolton speaks

Amy Bolton, SW representative in the American Legion Oratorical Contest, spoke before a board of judges last night at the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial. If her speech is judged best in her division, she will go on to the City Finals, to be held Dec. 20.

"I'm aiming high for the national championship," says Amy hopefully. The top prize is a \$4,000 scholarship to the college of the winner's choice.

Amy's speech is based on the proven fact that lax citizens are benefactors of a corrupt government. She appeals to Mr. and Mrs. U.S.A. Citizen and the youth of today to defend the constitution and safeguard American democracy.

ance record at daily rehearsals are Carol Knickmeyer and Judy Mandeville. Scenery is being provided by Mr. Shields of Shields Scenery Company.

The colorful posters in the halls are the achievement of Diane Ferraris, Sammie Boone, Linda Boeser and Rawlings Brewer, created under the supervision of Mrs. Markman. The figures carved from soap in the corridor display case, portraying a scene from the operetta were done by Miss Boedecker's Art 3-67 class.

Publicity for the operetta kept Pat Hase, Pat Matheny, Mary Ann Leontsinis, Sandi Schrand and Susie Sparberg busy.

"Doc Erskine" is again handling tickets, which are being distributed by a committee chosen from the music groups. Ticket distributors are: Choir, Sandi Ince and Patti Wolf; Ad-

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## 'Roundup' again takes top rating in CSPA judging

The Roundup has once more brought honor to SW. The scorebook on the 1957 edition, lately received from the Columbia (N.Y.) Scholastic Press Association, for the fourth time rates the yearbook first class.

The only other high school in the St. Louis area to win such an honor is Normandy.

The hard-working staff that prepared the '57 edition was headed by Editor-in-Chief Bob Schneider. Sue Bindbeutel was his assistant editor; Andrea David, the makeup editor. The general sponsor was Miss McIntire, who, after serving for 15 years, resigned the position in June. Mrs. Markman, with Marian Seibt as art editor, and the advanced art class took care of illustrations and divider pages. Mr. Forti served as business manager.

Theme of the prize book, marking the school's twentieth anniversary, was "Twenty years of progress," carried through by flashbacks of famous firsts at SW.

On the 1958 Roundup, in production now, only two of last year's staff remain, Anne Bosung and Marilyn Prichard, present co-editors. Mr. Dripps has taken over as sponsor.

## Lucky Day Tina Mazzola wins two prizes

Tina Marie Mazzola, semester two of Miss Burgett's advisory, recently won two prizes on the same day.

After school on Oct. 15, she and Alice Williams, semester two of Miss Kizer's advisory, visited the Modern Living Show at Kiel Auditorium and Tina entered every contest.

At one exhibit she guessed that \$775 (in coins and bills) was in a wishing well. The actual amount was \$774.47. On Oct. 21, in a letter from the Chairman of the Board of the First National Bank, Tina learned that she and five other persons had won \$100 in savings accounts.

In another contest, Tina had to tell in 25 words or less why she would like to have a hi-fi set. On her entry blank she wrote: "I would like to have a hi-fi set because it makes the neat Elvis Presley songs sound even neater." This statement won one of the smaller prizes, a portrait by Rembrandt Studios.

Tina's name appeared in the Globe-Democrat on Sunday, Oct. 20, among the list of winners in all the contests at the show.

"The paper is a lot of work but it's fun, too. I especially enjoy censoring the French jokes. Seriously, though, I think *La Revue Francaise* is going to be better after I recruit some help!" says Nicholas.

# TB menace is still on the loose

Would you just sit back and let a sneak thief rob you of all you own? Well, every year, over 100,000 people do just that.

They allow tuberculosis to rob them of health, money, valuable time and sometimes even life.

Why is such a menace allowed to circulate? Because he's sneaky! Of the approximately 250,000 active cases in the United States, an estimated 100,000 are still undiscovered. TB seldom gives a warning until he's already done his damage. The only early symptom is fatigue.

You take precautions to protect your property before it is stolen. You wouldn't leave a '58 Thunderbird sitting out with the doors wide open and the keys in the ignition, so why invite trouble (spelled with a capital TB) by lowering your resistance? The following pre-



Buy Christmas Seals

ventive measures help guard against TB:

- Plenty of sleep—eight to ten hours every night.
- Plenty of meat, milk, greens, fruit and cereals.
- Bathing often, washing hands before eating.
- Staying away from known TB victims.
- Having a yearly physical examination.

In addition, there are a couple of top detectives who can check carefully for traces of this crook. No, not Sgts. Friday and Smith, but Tuberculin "Patch" Test and X-Ray. They can definitely tell if tuberculosis germs are present in the body. A yearly chest X-Ray helps catch this crook before he does much damage.

Research is the third member of the team. The researchers help discover more about the method of operation used by this deadly criminal. These three are members of an entire force, the National Tuberculosis Association, a police force which is supported, not by taxes, but by voluntary contributions through the Christmas Seal Campaign.

Each seal we purchase brings us one step closer to putting this menace to society out of circulation for good.

*Lin's Listenin'*  
Little Danny Longhorns' big rooster  
by Linda Boeser

Did ya know? . . . Why the Longhorns won the league title? Aside from having a great team, they have one tiny but terrific rooster . . . Danny Kenny. Eight-year-old Danny, Mr. Kenny's little pride and joy, has been at every game the Longhorns have won. I think the lad's a lucky influence. After the Sol-dan game, Danny rushed, not to Steak 'n Shake, but to his Cub Scout meeting.

A humble apology . . . to Jim Merod, semester four student of Mr. Beezley's group. Jim has made straight A's in all but his second semester, when he (sob) only made 3 A's, and has never been mentioned in the Pioneer Super Honor Roll.

Meanwhile, back in the lab . . . Mr. Leftwich is raising a pet leech named Harvey, given to him by Bill Mason, semester five.

Have you seen . . . the sharp silver cuff links by certain young men about school? Al Antoine, Jay Baldwin, John Bauer, Alan Berving, Tom Boone, Charlie Brandhorst, Norman Donner, Wayne Douglas, George Galakatos, Ron Hoffman, Frank Kirtian, Gene Martin, Art Meyers, Jack Palmer, Dick Pinckert and Tom Stenger received them from the American School Food Service Association for acting as guides during the group's recent convention here. Comment John Bauer and Gene Martin, "They're really swell!"

Whether we like it or not, it looks like we're going to be Sputnik-smothered until the United States sends up something called Vanguardnik!

is the first time I'm not in the chorus.

Roberta George, Joy Guenther, Susan Tiff, Sharon Woodmansee: Just being in it because it's my last one. Sob!

Karen Walsh: I'm looking forward to being in the operetta because it's my first one.

Sandi Johnston: I'm anxious to hear George Galakatos' solo.

Sandy Engler: Hearing Jim Mode sing! Just because . . .

Carolyn Carter: I'm looking forward to sitting back and enjoying a real good show.

## Space men invade Dembeck domicile

by Linda Dembeck

It was a misty night last week, quiet and serene. Suddenly the silence was shattered by the peal of our door bell. I hurried across the room and flung open the door. There on the porch stood seven small men dressed in blue suits. Each had on a blue helmet with antennae and small wheels on top, and carried a strange-looking weapon. They stared at me a moment and then burst into our living room.

Egad, I thought. Spacemen have landed and are here to conquer the earth. Futilely, I searched my mind for some means of escape as I watched them. They bounded around the room, climbing over the furniture, uttering strange noises, sometimes screaming.

I glanced out the window. In front of our house I saw a strange vehicle with six foot fins and bright lights, smoke pouring from the front.

Horrified, I began to remember space-fiction stories of people who were carried off in space ships to unknown planets. I wondered what they did to such hostages.

Then, suddenly, all my questions were answered, for one of them spoke to me.

"We're on our way to the Boy Scout Circus. Is your brother ready to go?"



Question (asked during the fourth lunch period): WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO MOST IN TONIGHT'S OPERETTA? WHY?

Sammie Boone, Donna Bloomquist, Dennis Fog, Pat Honer: A real huge success because everyone has worked so very hard on it.

Gary Gruenewald, Bill James, Charles Witt: The money to buy a ticket. Why? To get in.

Sue Naylor: Waving to my mommy. I stand in the last row and she's going to sit in the balcony so she can see me.

Stephanie Aulgur, Alice Castelli, Marilyn Preswheat, Barbara Raster (pals no doubt): To hear Lynn Wiesehan sing because she has such a good voice.

Jerry Timpe: Girls — I like them.

Virginia Burrs, Mary Lou Shannahan: Seeing the show all the way through, because this

## Fan Mail

### Musical Notes

Flash! SW's A Cappella Choir and Orchestra are famous! A letter recently received stated as follows: "This evening over KMOX, St. Louis, Mo., we heard the program presented by your high school orchestra and choir. My roommate and I enjoyed it very much. We are students at Yankton College in Yankton, South Dakota." The letter went on to ask whether the choir and orchestra had regular broadcasts since they would enjoy listening to them.

According to Rex Davis of station KMOX, one fan letter represents 7,000 radio listeners.

Other "fan" letters have been received from residents of the St. Louis area complimenting the Orchestra and A Cappella Choir on the fine job they did on the Pop Concert program.

## It's a coward's choice

I sat quietly in the outer office thinking of my fatal mistake. I had been caught cheating on a test.

Which was worse, I wondered, cheating or being caught at it. To cheat means to deceive. Whom had I deceived—my teacher—my parents—or myself? I realized now that I was the person who had gained nothing.

I had torn down my teacher's trust in me, and I had kindled a fire of shame in my parents' hearts.

I sat there, head lowered, wondering what would happen next. I remembered what a grade school teacher had told our class. "An honest zero is worth more than a dishonest 100." Now I understood what she meant. Self-respect, standing on one's own two feet, pride and honesty mean more than grades. Cheating is a coward's choice; if you're caught, you're lucky.

In a few minutes I shall receive a punishment. But I plan to schedule this very same teacher in my next semester's classes. I'm going to show her that I can stand on my own feet — that I realize cheating is a coward's choice. And no SW Longhorn is a coward!

## 'Sputnik' craze hits high schools

"Launch your own Sputnik!" . . . no, not really . . . that's only the name of a new kit found in cereal boxes.

The Sputnik craze isn't confined to boxtop items, though. Michigan's Pontiac High teenagers are sampling Sputnik sundae and the girls are trying out Sputnik hairdos . . . hair is rolled around a rubber ball and pierced with knitting needles!

As the satellite swirls around the globe, juniors of Heights High School, Ohio, will start the social season with a semi-formal dance titled . . . you guessed it . . . "Satellite Swirl."

## Fantasy Land

### Three coolies star in honorable tale

By popular demand (we received a dare in the mail) we once again bring you the revised version of a great Chinese classic, "The Three Coolies," or "Who Put the Coffee Grounds in the Tea Leaves?"

Once upon an honorable time, there existed in noble country, Three Coolies, Pappa Ching, Mamma Chong and Baby Ching-Chong. Pappa Ching is chief designer of Do-It-Yourself Pig-tail Kits, while Mamma Chong takes in washing and sews Ivy League kimonos and Baby Ching-Chong is retired telephone book writer.

When our humble story opens, Baby Ching-Chong, approaching 37th year, is about to graduate from low school, and big expenses and lots of activities keep family in gigantic turmoil. Life is further complicated when Baby Ching-Chong loses his badge of courage, his honorable eights' button and can't attend Class Day without it. As a re-

sult, Baby Ching-Chong must take job in match factory striking safety matches to see if they work in order to purchase new eights' button.

In order to find out whether Baby Ching-Chong finds the money to buy another eights' button, you will have to read the book. For your free copy write One Fung Jip Joint Book Store in respectable city of Chop Suey, West Virginia.

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Peoplewatchers . . . Congratulations go to those terrific 8's starring in SW's operetta, *Sweet-*

hearts. Featured in this year's production are Laura (Sylvia) Robinson and Judy Mandeville, supported by a cast of thousands.

Can you imagine(?) one day in Senior Advisory without some one asking for money for Senior Activities . . . or a nicer way to end a football season than to win the Public School Championship . . . Yea SW!!

As we close our column we leave you with this thought—if you must drive, use a car.

## Doodles by Dubis

Tonight's the operetta, The show is really great! So telephone your "Sweetheart" And make it a date.



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*Pets*  
**Teachers really do have 'em**  
 by Diane Fridley

Here are some more teachers' pets.

Miss Meyer has a palace guard of the Royal Llama to protect her house . . . A Lhasa Apso dog from Tibet called Ting-a-ling. "Ting looks just like a snowy white silk dust mop," says his beaming owner. "It's quite hard to tell the front from the back." He is a highly sensitive dog and when punished he may pout all day. Riding in Miss Meyer's convertible is Ting's favorite pastime.

Myrtle and Timmie are two land turtles belonging to Mr. Forti. When called, the turtles come crawling to their owner. Their diet consists of bugs, water and lettuce. Myrtle and Timmie will probably live for 30 years.

"They make wonderful pets and are no trouble at all to keep," says Mr. Forti. "Each of the turtles has an individual personality."

Miss Kroenlein is the proud owner of two cats, Mother and Fluffy. Mother, sometimes called Maggie, is orange colored, short haired, part Persian. Her name comes from her mother-like qualities. Maggie lets Fluffy choose his dish of food, then takes the remaining dish for herself.

# Koch scores a victory

by Schrand and Sparberg

The buzzer sounded, indicating the end of the game. The players ran triumphantly off the field, not noticing one of their teammates lagging behind. The rest of the team was tired, but Earl D. was more tired than he had ever been in his seventeen years.

The next day, Earl's school nurse suggested that he have a chest X-ray. Since Earl knew that his earlier symptoms . . . fatigue, loss of appetite and persistent coughing meant that his body was functioning improperly, he decided to follow the nurse's suggestion. An X-ray and examination proved conclusively that Earl was a victim of tuberculosis.

Earl was then admitted to Koch Hospital, situated on the bluffs of the Mississippi River, where 540 people at the present time are receiving aid in their fight against tuberculosis. Despite the popular belief that once TB is diagnosed, it can now be "cured" rapidly by wonder drugs, statistics show that it still takes from six to 12 months to arrest a case.

A weekly staff meeting, headed

"The cats help in the yard," laughed Miss Kroenlein, "they try to help rake the leaves."

Dogs seem to be the favorite pets of most teachers. The faculty members who don't own pets say, "We have enough to take care of with our students."

ed by Dr. Bernard Friedman, Medical Director and Superintendent of Koch Hospital, decided what was the proper therapy for Earl's particular case. Modern drugs such as streptomycin and isoniazid, proper diet, fresh air and above all, a sufficient amount of rest, were prescribed.

TB is the obvious, but evasive enemy; boredom must be overcome if treatment is to be successful. To overcome this depressive element, a pleasant nurse-patient relationship is established, patients are encouraged to make use of the many Koch facilities. For the contagious cases, Koch provides a weekly newspaper, "The Koch Messenger" and an extensive lending library. For the cases

well on their way to recovery, woodworking, sewing, crafts, machine shops and tailoring are available.

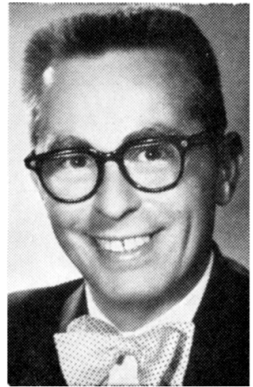
After 10 months, the staff decided that Earl was capable of resuming his place in society. As a result of his stay at Koch Hospital, Earl realized the importance of follow-up X-rays and preventive hygiene. So Koch Hospital scores another victory against TB.

Another champion in this fight is the Tuberculosis and Health Society, whose success depends on the sale of Christmas Seals. Your contribution provides for better research, education of the public and chest X-rays. "When you buy Christmas Seals, you help keep TB from spreading."

*Mickey Else*  
**Sandy thrills to new KSD discjockey**  
 by Patti Wolf

Question . . . Who's the newest disc jockey in St. Louis?  
 Answer . . . Mickey Else!  
 (Who else?)

Mr. Else is also the greatest, at least such is the opinion of Sandy McMillion, a six of Miss Steffen's advisory. She saw him on a Charlotte Peters' television show one day and, since she



Mickey Else . . . new disc jockey at KSD.

had to write a story for journalism, she decided to interview him.

As Sandy discovered, Mickey Else has a show on KSD Monday thru Friday from 3 to 5 p.m. He also has a show called "Startime," broadcast from the Pigskin Room at Schneithorst's Restaurant Monday thru Saturday from 10:15 to 11:30 p.m. His shows are all ad lib except the commercials and record lists.

Mickey, Sandy found, has a warm, friendly manner and thinks teenagers are the greatest. (He even likes Elvis.) He was born in Williamsport, Penn., and moved to Niagara Falls, N.Y. when he was 11. "Williamsport is also where I had my first radio program," he recalls.

While Sandy was at KSD, Johnny Mathis came to see Mickey and after a 10 minute broadcasted interview, Sandy found herself being photographed with her genial host. After the excitement was over, Mr. Else went on with the interview. "I got interested in radio by listening to and visiting a disc jockey show on the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation in Toronto, Canada. I studied at the Academy of Radio Arts in 1948."

Mickey is quite a family man. He and his wife Pat, a professional ballerina, have four boys aged ten, six, three and eight months. Besides doing radio acting, Mickey has done various legitimate stage performances. He has been quite popular as a disc jockey in other cities; for instance, in Buffalo, New York, he had a fan club of about 4,000 members.

"Sweethearts" will again be presented tomorrow night at 8. Tickets are on sale today and tomorrow at school for 75 cents. At the door they will cost 90 cents.

*School Daze*  
**Artists stumble upon history**

Connie McVey, Betty Schreiner and Linda Boeser of Mrs. Markman's Art 4-67 class, on an educational tour of Shaw's Garden, overheard this conversation between two ladies outside the Palm House.

"Have you seen my daughter, Mrs. Smith?"

"I may have . . . what's her name?"

"Pocahontas . . . she was with John Smith when I last saw her."

"Just a minute . . . I'll ask the Chief."

The girls, looking puzzled, followed them inside and were embarrassed to see a half-dressed Pilgrim jump behind a palm. Leaving hurriedly, Connie laughed.

"I thought all we'd find in the Palm House was PALMS!" (P.S. . . . the Pilgrims were members of the Ladies' Garden Club rehearsing for a pageant.)

## Scotland, Missouri

As Rich Gephardt (the Senator) glanced around his lunch table a few days ago, he noticed a stranger sitting there casually eating.

Rich asked, "Where are you from?" (Meaning to say tactfully, "Why don't you eat at your own table?")

"Scotland," came the answer in a Scotch burr. (He was Thomas Good, semester four, who came to this country this summer.)

"What part of Missouri is that?" inquired Rich.

## Business as usual

The day before a scheduled test on driving laws of St. Louis, Miss Jeffords asked whether the class had any questions. Dave Markel, semester seven, asked whether the test would be the same as the one on Missouri laws.

"Yes," replied Miss Jeffords, "I will give you the questions and you give me the answers."

## Operetta

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vanced Chorus (first period), Barbara Barrow and Gary Wolfard; Girls' Glee, Elaine Hilgeman and Roxanne Speros; Boys' Glee, Bob Cason and Bob Bullock; Jr. Girls' Glee, Jean Krost and Ruth Metzger; Advanced Chorus (seventh period), Karen Krell and Carol Knickmeyer; Band and Orchestra, Brent Baker.

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# Teaching dancing is Donna's business

by Fremon and Mantle

It was dark and cold as we got off the bus and looked at the words painted on the window at 6485 Chippewa, "Donna Frost Dance Studio." But once we stepped into the warm studio, it seemed a completely different world. Twelve little tots lined the aqua walls, holding onto the black iron bars, doing their exercises.

At the back of the room, a petite figure in red leotard and tights beat out the time. Radiating exuberance, Donna walked up to us. "Sit down, won't you? This class is almost finished."

We sat down and watched the Jan. '57 SW graduate as she

diplomatically straightened out a squabble between two of her pupils. "This is more like fun than work, but sometimes my 'prima donnas' get big heads.

"When I graduated last January, I wasn't sure what I wanted to do. I'd been giving lessons to the neighborhood children in my basement since my freshman year; and by the time I graduated, I had about 30 pupils. My friends and relatives all encouraged me to open a regular dance studio, so . . ."

This 19-year-old, hazel-eyed miss, who has been dancing for 13 years, conducts classes in tap, toe, ballet, modern and ballroom dancing. Her 100 pupils range from four year olds

to their mothers and include SWerners, Pam and Carol Marks, Judy Anderson and Claudia Fremon.

"Being courteous and patient does more than anything else to bring success in this business. Most of my students need help in overcoming their shyness." Eyes twinkling, Donna added with a grin, "I hope to continue teaching for four or five years, even after I get married."

Just then another group of laughing children came in the front door. A few minutes later we left the warm and inviting studio with music ringing in our ears and a memory of eager little faces counting earnestly, "One, two, three."



Donna Frost, Jan. '57 grad, remembered by many here for her numerous dancing appearances, poses with some future prima donnas at her dancing school.

## Cagers to open league season vs. Cleveland

"The game with Cleveland Saturday should be one of the most thrilling of the season," says Don Spencer, basketball co-captain.

Both Coach Ashley and Bill Gebhart, the other co-captain, agree.

The "top brass" of the Cagers can present three good reasons why this game should come complete with action and thrills:

1. Winning the first league game of the season would get the team off to a good start. It would make them optimistic-minded toward future games. This fact was proven by our championship football team, who shut out Roosevelt 26-0 in their first league game.

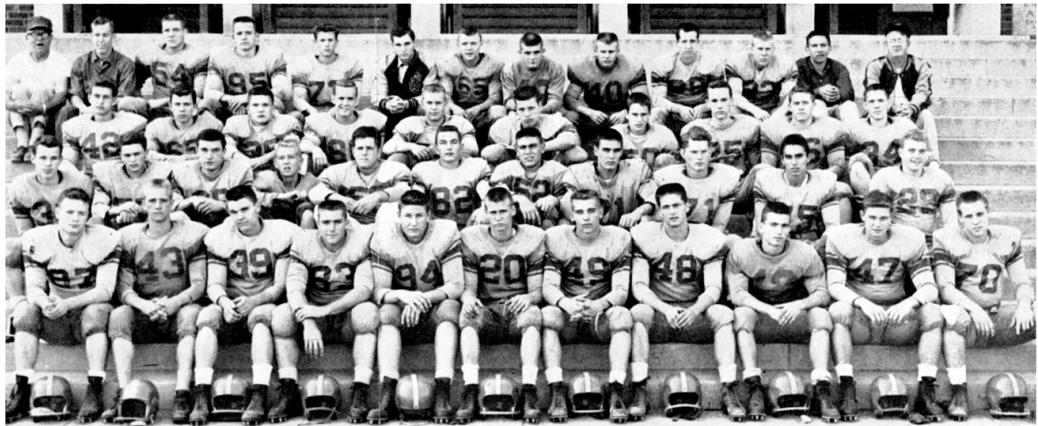
2. This year Cleveland is believed to be the power in the Public High League. Beating them would be quite an upset.

3. This game will be a factor in determining SW's seeding in the State Tournament in March and the Christmas Tournament in December.

Cleveland was one of the mainstays last season and placed second in the Public High League after Beaumont, the champion.

"As far as height," comments Coach Ashley, "the Cagers won't be outdone. SW and Cleveland are comparable in size."

Lettermen Tom McDowell,



**THE CHAMPS!** First row, from left, Stenger, Witt, Brandhorst, Gleason, Meyer, Gebhart, Palmer, Lee, Meadows, Douglas, Baldwin. Row two, Wofford, Mattingly, Mugavero, Peachey, Brockmeier, James, Taylor, Brandt, Meiners, Galakatos, Weingart. Row three, Perkins, Dykes, Brackhahn, Strader, Markel, George, Cook, Stanley, Carney, Davis. Row four, Coach McArthur, Vincent (manager), Green, Kriemelman, Parentin, Geiger, Westerman, Haley, Stuckel, Bullock, Witte, Bartholic, (manager), Coach Kenny.

## Steers clinch 1st city prep title

The Steers' 13-7 victory over St. Mary's on Thanksgiving

Gary Gruenewald, Alan Berving, Co-Captains Gebhart and Spencer, and Coach Ashley sum up their feelings about the game by saying, "Cleveland is going to be tough to beat. We can promise a good game because we'll be doing our best but the support of the student body is a great factor in winning games. The game is set for 3 p.m. at St. Louis U. High gym.

brought to SW its first city prep title. Twice before, the Steers won the Public League championship and then went on to lose to St. Louis U. High, Catholic League champion.

The Thanksgiving day win climaxed a brilliant season for the Steers, with a 9-1 overall record, the only loss coming in the first game of the season—non-league—against DuBourg. In their eight league games the Steers did not allow one touch-down.

Fumbleitis led to St. Mary's defeat in this fifteenth annual Accident Benefit game. SW tackle, Rich Green, putting in his bid to join the famed "G Men," crashed in on St. Mary's passer, causing him to fumble. Green recovered the ball and dashed 11 yards to score. Bruce Geiger tallied the extra point on an end run around the left side.

**TD for St. Mary's**

St. Mary's scored in the second quarter when Joe Florino ran 54 yards past the SW line and backfield. The extra point

kicker, Dave Pott, tied the score at 7-7.

Early in the fourth quarter Bruce Geiger rushed in to pick up a Dragon fumble and score a 20 yard run. St. Mary's gave one final threat as they drove to SW 12-yard line before fumbling. When victory came, happy SW fans swarmed around and carried Coach Kenny on their shoulders. The celebration was marred somewhat, however, by injuries suffered in the course of the game by Bill Gebhart and Tom Carney.

**SW routs Hadley**

The Steers won their eighth league game routing Hadley, 27-0, Nov. 23. This game ended

the League season with the Steers amassing 198 points to the opposition's two.

The four TD's came after the Steers took the ball away from Hadley either on an intercepted pass or a fumble. Tom Stenger recovered the first fumble and Jack Palmer scored on a pass from Mike Wofford. Bruce Geiger's intercepted pass led to a TD by Charlie Witt.

In the second half, Dick Strader recovered a fumble and George Galakatos tallied. Strader later dumped a Hadley ball carrier for a safety in the end zone. Bill Gebhart intercepted a pass and a few plays later scored.

## Haley and Lee guard the goal

"1-2-3 . . . look at Mr. Lee!" There he is! Yes, that's him; Mr. Lee!—George Lee, that is.

Bearing the number 45 on his familiar green and gold jersey, letterman George guarded well the SW goal this past season. This, he modestly claims, was no particular accomplishment on his part but was due to the experience gained in a previous year on the team.

"Our mainstay of the team never played, but he certainly showed us how to play. Mr. Kenny's concentration on blocking and tackling more than any other factor helped us become champions. Also, he taught us to play one game at a time and to think no farther ahead than the next game," explains George.

Now that his football days are over, George is thinking of graduation and college. He hopes to study chemical engineering, possibly at Washington U.

## Capacity crowd at rink opening

Two thousand skating enthusiasts crowded to capacity the Steinberg Memorial Skating Rink in Forest Park on its opening day, Nov. 11. The million-dollar construction, the largest artificial outdoor rink in the nation, was made possible through a donation by the widow of the late Mark C. Steinberg and through municipal bond issue and revenue funds.

The rink is operated by three managers. Fifteen attendants

Short brown hair, brown eyes . . . 5'7", 150 pounds . . . halfback for the champion Longhorns, number 20 . . . seventh semester student in Miss J. Mueller's advisory.

Add 'em up and you can get only Bob Haley. Bob's been playing varsity football for the past two years, which credits him with one letter. As a sophomore, B football and pole vaulting for the track team were his sports specialties.

About the championship, Bob smiles, "We were terrifically glad when he won all of our league games." According to Mr. Williams, Public High League director, Bob has reason to be glad . . . the team's record has never been equalled since league records began in 1945.

This ambitious boy holds down a job at the Maplewood show as an usher. Pals, Frank Westerman, Rich Beall and Dennis George agree that "when Bob graduates in June, SW will lose a fine halfback, but the Marines will gain a great guy."

will be on the ice at each of the three sessions, from 9:30 to 12 a.m., 2 to 5 p.m., and 8 to 11 p.m. Children under 12 are admitted free, between 12 and 17 the admission is 25 cents and over 17, 50 cents. Skates can be rented for 50 cents. Additional facilities include a food shop and checking and storage rooms.

## Gleason's eligible gals - for football

If you've found Jerry Gleason walking on Cloud No. 9 these days, it's not because he's in love!

He's dancing on thin air because of the recent decision of the Board of Control of Missouri Athletics which made him eligible to play in the last two league games and the turkey day match with St. Mary's.

Before this decision a boy, in order to be eligible for sports, had to pass three full-credit subjects. Jerry passed two full-credit and two half-credit subjects.

The board just voted that the two halves could count as a whole.

Even though Jerry was sure he would not be eligible to play this season, he remained faithful to the sport he loved best. He reported for practice every day and could be seen working just as diligently as the regulars.

"I was just living for next season," commented Jerry. "This is all too wonderful to be true!"

## 4-4 record for SW B-team

"Mighty oaks from little acorns grow." This is characteristic of SW's B football team, the future varsity stars.

The team ended its season with four wins and four losses.

Some of their better scores were: SW-41, Cleveland-6; Roosevelt-7, SW-37.

The co-captains, Kenneth Finn and Dave Krajcovic, feel they played their best game against O'Fallon. After the first half the score was tied, 0-0. Then the score jumped to SW-7, O'Fallon-6. O'Fallon had the ball, fumbled, and Ed Wiseman recovered the ball and dashed 70 yards for the TD. The final

score was SW-13, O'Fallon-6. Ken and Dave both agree that it was the hardest game.

Coach Merchant commented that he had a green team to work with this year. Only five boys remained on this year's squad from the '56 team.

"Most of the boys were big, which gave us a good line," said Coach Merchant. "These boys will be a big help to the varsity team. I predict another varsity championship team in two years."

And Assistant Coach Ashley agrees.

mercial Art and Architecture at Tech. He was elected co-captain of the football team at college (the first non-Texan) just as he was in high school.

George Hallas, the owner of the Chicago Bears, had Bob listed as the number eight draft choice out of 50. After the fifth and final attempt to sign Bob to the pros, Mr. Hallas made the price right for Bob and he accepted late in the spring of this year. At 245 pounds, he now plays defensive tackle for the Bears.

If you want to see Bob in action, watch the professional football games on TV Sundays through Dec. 15.

As a matter of interest, Barney Kilcullen, Bob's brother, was the 6'9" center playing for second place Bradley last year just behind the St. Louis Billikens.

## SW star Kilcullen now with Chicago

Bob Kilcullen, a June, 1953 SW graduate, is now playing professional football for the Chicago Bears.

As a junior at SW, Bob was on the 1951 championship team. He was a tackle for the Steers at the weight of 205 pounds when he was awarded Prep Player of the Week. At graduation, Kilcullen was voted Most Athletic.

This was just the beginning of his football career as Bob made the varsity after being two weeks at Texas Tech. He had a four-year scholarship to Texas Tech with all expenses paid.

Bob Kilcullen majored in Com-