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What's in the wind

- This morning at 11 . . . Christmas aud. At 12 noon holidays begin.
- Friday, Dec. 26 . . . Christmas Basketball Tournament opens.
- Monday, Jan. 5 . . . back to school. Regular schedule.
- Jan. 5, 6, 7, 8 . . . final exams for seniors only.

Traditional aud and hall carols this morning

School will close for the holidays at noon today with the triumphal notes of the *Halleluia Chorus* resounding as the grand finale of the traditional Christmas program. Earlier, sevens and eights in Choir will traverse the halls, caroling as they go.

The aud program will be narrated by Ron Schowalter, and Jim Merod will read the beloved Christmas story from the Scriptures. New songs will be added to the usual favorites. The orchestra playing Mozart's *Quoniam*, will open the program. Choir will be featured singing *I Wish You a Merry Christmas* and other favorites.

Vocal choruses

Girls' Glee will offer *Gesu Bambino* with Sally Schmit, a new SWerner, singing the solo, and *The Little Jesus Came to Town*, with June Glass as soloist. Boys' Glee, assisted by soloist Sandy Britton, will sing *Beautiful Savior* and *O Come, O Come Immanuel*. The Advanced Chourses will contribute *O Holy Night* and *Hasten Swiftly, Hasten Softly*, with a solo part by Dean Holmes.

Bill Schnyder will introduce *We Three Kings of Orient Are* by singing *The March of the Kings*. The kings will be depicted by Ed Hewlett, Bob Pflueger and Steve Rishelm. Carol Rolufs will sing *Lost in the Night*, Mary Bonacorsi, *Ave*

• Jan. 9, 2nd period . . . double aud for SC campaign speeches. Voting in advisories to follow.

• Jan. 9, 7th period . . . Awards Aud.

• Jan. 9, 8:30 p.m. . . . Senior Prom in the school gym.

• Saturday, Jan. 10, 1:30 p.m. . . . Cagers vs. Hadley at Hadley.

• Jan. 12 - 15 . . . final exams, semester one through seven.

• Friday, Jan. 16, 2:30 p.m. . . . Cagers vs. Roosevelt. Students with tickets dismissed at 1:30.

Maria, and Diane Krauss, the haunting *I Wonder as I Wander*.

As he has before, Berl Bays will sing *Sweet Little Jesus Boy*, and Jack Parks, for the first time, *The Coventry Carol*. Georgia Dunlap will offer *The Virgin Slumber Song*; and Karen Walsh, *What Child is This*. In their last appearance before graduation, the Heartbeats, Carol Spellmeyer, Linda Dembeck and Bev Smith, will sing *Prayer of the Norwegian Child*.

Orchestral numbers

The orchestra will present a medley of Christmas carols, with the student body singing along. Accompanists for soloists and groups will be Sam Lirely, Susie Spieldoch and Carol Burrs. Because of crowded conditions, parents are asked not to attend this program.

During the last week, Choir has caroled at Union Station, Miss Hulling's Cafeteria, and at the Mo-Pac and the Frisco men's clubs. These last engagements featured a new song *Jingle Bells Calypso* and a quartet, Marilyn Clamors, Carol Hartmann, Sheila Fletcher and Margo Milford, singing *Silver Bells*.

rooms. Since the families put in their names too late to get help from an organization, they were entirely dependent on the sixes for their Christmas supplies.

All girls among the sixes were asked to bring canned goods, clothing and toys, while the boys donated money to buy perishable food.

Contributions were assembled at the homes of Judy Doswald, Bonnie Bills, Jean Krost, Paul Lindhorst, Nancy Cooper, Art Loeschner, Tom Homan, Jim Nelson, Carol Klug, Sandy Chitwood and Eddie Hewlett.



Candidate Carole Ann Hughes . . . "Pioneer" staff . . . Bowling . . . G.A.A. . . . Girls Glee secretary . . . four semesters on SC.



Candidate Jim Carothers . . . sports editor of "Roundup" . . . manager of SW Cagers . . . baseball and cross-country.



Candidate Sally Schofield . . . four semesters on SC . . . Choir . . . Bowling . . . president of Future Nurses club.



Candidate Ted Popowchak . . . president of Band . . . Lettermen's club . . . track . . . cross-country captain.



Candidate Karen Gleck . . . G.A.A. Bowling, Pep and Cheerleaders clubs . . . finalist in Voice of Democracy contest.



Candidate Steve Bryant . . . captain of tennis team . . . three semesters on SC . . . Lettermen's club . . . track.

Student Council election set for Jan. 9 following 2nd period aud session

Student Council officers for the spring semester will be elected on Jan. 9, the Friday after the Christmas holidays.

Carole Ann Hughes, Steve Bryant, Sally Schofield, Ted Popowchak, Karen Gleck and Jim Carothers, the six nominees, will deliver their campaign speeches twice during second period auds, with half the school in attendance at each session. Voting in advisory groups will follow, and newly elected officers will be installed at the Awards Aud the seventh period the same day.

Carole Ann Hughes has been a member of the Council for four semesters. Here at SW, Carole serves as secretary of Girls Glee, participates in GAA and Bowling and displays her writing talents as sports editor of the *Pioneer*. Outside of school, she acts as vice-president of the city-wide Y-Teen Council.

Steve Bryant, this year's captain of SW's champion tennis team, has three semesters of Student Council to his credit. Steve has also participated in track, Band and the Lettermen's Club.

Sally Schofield has been on SC four semesters. At present, she is a member of the Bowling Club, Choir and the Future Nurses of America, of which she is president. Sally was recently elected for the Citizenship Award of the DAR.

Ted Popowchak has four semesters of SC to his credit. At present he is president of Band, and a member of the Lettermen's Club, having earned one letter in track and one in cross-country as captain.

Karen Gleck has served on SC three semesters. She takes an active part in Choir, GAA, Bowling, Pep and Cheerleaders Clubs. She was a finalist in the school Voice of Democracy contest. Karen also serves as co-president of her church youth group.

Jim Carothers is a six semester SC veteran. He takes part in baseball and cross-country, and is manager of the SW Cagers. He is also a member of the Lettermen's Club and sports editor of *Roundup*.

SW enters team in scholastic TV Quiz Tournament

As one of the 16 outstanding high schools in this area, SW has been invited to participate in the 1959 High School Quiz Tournament sponsored by St. Louis U.

Beginning in late January the show, with Mr. Richard M. Keefe, Director of Admissions at St. Louis U, as quiz moderator, will be continued over Channel 2 for 15 Saturdays.

Each week, two schools will compete, with the loser eliminated. The team that wins the final round will become 1959 High School Quiz Champion. Prizes will be a handsome trophy for the home school, plus a medallion of merit for each team member.

Jim Merod, Marcella Milcic, Steve Rishelm and Valerie Rudolph, with Charlotte Grasel, Jim Nelson, Art Ruff and Terry Anne Wright as alternates, will represent SW. Questions will be devised by St. Louis U faculty members in such fields as world and American history, science, math and English.

past seven semesters has been 3.5 or better will receive academic certificates. At the Class Day aud, Jan. 19, Mr. Young will award special pins to those graduates who rank in the top ten scholastically.

This new idea was suggested to the Council by their sponsor, Miss Hachtman, who received such an award while attending Cleveland High School.

2 artists rate mention

John Pisoni and Carolyn Pilcher heard at a ceremony in the downtown library Dec. 13 that they had won honorable mention in the poster contest sponsored by the Christmas Carols Association of St. Louis. First place winner was Terry Woody from Central High.

John's poster, depicting the Three Kings, was done on black paper in blue and white with a background of checkerboard pattern alternating shades of gray. In the center was a white candle with the flame making the I in GIVE, which was printed in red orange across the top of the poster.

One big candle, the base wreathed in holly, highlighted Carolyn's poster. It was painted in gilt, blue and white on black paper. Four gilt Christmas balls, suspended in mid-air and surrounding the candle, spelled out the word GIVE.

Eight other SW posters were considered good enough to submit in the competition. They were designed by Diane Ferraris, Margo Milford, Georgia Dunlap, Gloria Bolz, Carole Petersen, Jack Parks, Joyce Brown and Dennis Potter.

In a medical poster competition earlier this semester, Robert Klein won a Merit Award and Don Kimmel and Dianne Mooney won honorable mention.

New plan recognizes academic achievement

A new idea for recognition of those eights who distinguish themselves in the academic field has been worked out by the Student Council. It will go into effect at the close of this semester.

At the Awards aud, Friday, Jan. 9, all eighth semester students whose average for their

For Xmas

Sixes 'adopt' 2 needy families

Eight pupils, representing all the sixes at SW, day before yesterday delivered food, clothing and toys for their two "adopted families" to the VNA (Visiting Nurses Association) at 3664 Olive.

Bonnie Bills and Paul Lindhorst from Miss C. Mueller's group, Judy Doswald and Art Loeschner from Mr. Polster's, Claire Linhart and Byron Smyrniotis from Mr. Beezley's and Carol Boken and James Jordan from Mrs. Kelly's served as a committee of eight to select and organize a service project for the class.

They finally decided to "adopt" through the VNA, two families with ten small children living together in five

Seals help fight Mr. TB

The news that baseball star Red Schoendienst, our own neighbor, had contracted TB came as a real jolt. If a sturdy, active fellow like that could be stricken, just when it seemed science had almost conquered the disease, so might any of the rest of us.

Actually, TB is far from conquered. Right now 250,000 Americans have active tuberculosis, while in approximately one-third of the population our little gentleman, Mr. TB, has placed his germs.

What can we do about the "gentleman killer?" Well, first, we can fight him off by keeping physically strong through sufficient rest, nourishing food, habits of cleanliness. Then, thanks to the Christmas Seal program, we can get a free patch test made at regular intervals. If the test shows the presence of the germ, we can follow with an X-ray and, if needed, treatment.



Question (asked during the sixth lunch period): WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO FIND IN YOUR CHRISTMAS STOCKING? AND WHY?

Jim Hamel, Dennis D'Amico, Dick Strader, Fred Marty: Coal, because we've been bad boys.

Nick Filippello: One red T-Bird, because I don't want Ken Marchutes to show me up!

Bev Prater, Carol Goldbeck: Nothing, because we don't have a stocking.

Joe Bozillo, Carole Hughes, Annette Feinstein: A pardon for Tom Dooley.

Art Ruff, Byron Smyrnlotis, Ron Graves: A barber's kit so we can get a haircut like Larry Mocerri; he's so neat.

Jim Jordan, Ed Hewlett: A guitar, because we are All-American boys.

Career uncertain? Maybe this is it

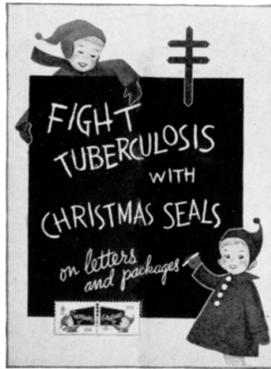
Health education is the field for you if—you like to work with people, your personal characteristics are warmth, enthusiasm, initiative and good humor which make people like you and if you would like to be in one of the professions which serve the community.

Interesting experiences and opportunities are yours if you enter this new profession. Health educators help people to help themselves to better health. There are more positions to be filled than there are well-qualified persons to fill them.

Health educators are concerned with such problems as sanitation, research into the problems of tuberculosis, heart disease, cancer, poliomyelitis, child growth and development and nutrition.

In preparing for the health education field, courses such as education, biology, psychology, sociology, chemistry and bacteriology should be taken in

New methods and drugs developed through the TB Society's program of research will work wonders if the disease is caught in time. Don't let the killer catch you unaware. Safeguard yourself in the ways recommended by the Society in its Health Education publicity. And, so that the fight against TB can go on until everyone is safe, buy and use Christmas seals.



Xmas spirit...what is it?

"I just can't get the Christmas spirit." Sound familiar? You might have said it yourself. But did you ever stop to ask, "What is the Christmas spirit?"

It is love, as taught by the Great Teacher, Jesus of Nazareth. This love is carried by the jubilant voices of carolers. It reflects in the faces of parents as they place gaily decorated packages under the family tree. It shines in worshippers' grateful eyes and is heard in reverent prayers.

You need not "get" the Christmas spirit. If there is love in your heart, you have the Christmas spirit. It lives in the love and gifts of people all through the year. Christmas is a good time to revive your love and your Christmas spirit by giving to others, by putting your whole self into everything you do. If you sing carols with joy and sincerely thank God for His great gifts to us, you will feel the Christmas spirit—you can't help it—because it is there all the time.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom he is pleased.

high school and college. Salaries range from \$3,000 to \$10,000 a year. Retirement plans and other benefits are available in most of these positions.

For more detailed information, contact the Tuberculosis and Health Society, Suite 210, 911 Locust, St. Louis 1.

Life of a toy salesman at Xmas...agony supreme

by Dennis D'Amico

Hard is the life of a toy salesman at Christmas time! So I found when I took on such a job at Famous-Barr Southtown. Little did I know then of the turmoil and chaos of selling toys at Christmas time.

Not that the department wasn't orderly and neat. And it's not that I don't like children—in fact, I love them—when they're not around a toy department.

Actually it's the parents that make the place hectic. They wonder, before deciding on a sale, if junior will like that kind of hobby horse, if sis will like the color of the doll's hair or if their pride and joy will, in one day's time, smash them to pieces. And then they decide to choose later.

Of course, there's always the kind that is just looking and won't buy until just before Christmas and then wonder why that item she saw two weeks ago isn't there.

Another type wants the price on a certain toy, if it's in stock. I, obligingly, comb the department and the stock room to find it and return, hoping for a sale (on salary and one per cent commission you hope and pray for sales). He says thank you and walks on.

Another species has you bring out five to ten different items

Joseph hovers protectively over Mary, who is holding the Christ child wrapped in white swaddling cloth. One window to the side of center shows two shepherds in dark blue and purple. On the opposite side two wise men are featured. A large angel in a blue robe dominates each end window.

This expressive scene can best be appreciated from Kings-highway, particularly at night, when the library lights set it aglow. The paintings will remain in place, lighted each night, until the week following Christmas.

for comparison and then ends up making no purchase at all. It wasn't so bad getting the toys down, but it surely was hard getting them back on the shelves.

All in all, the experience of selling and dealing with people has been great. I guess I'm none the worse for wear; I'm still alive.

News Slants

KXLW installs record device

by Sam Lirley

Have a request? Radio Station KXLW has installed an automatic record player filled with the Top 60 hits, according to a weekly survey. Pick up a Top 60 sheet at a record store, call the station and give the corresponding request number. The selection will then be played over the air. Requests are taken from three to four every afternoon.

Among those enjoying the post-opera party at Jan Baldwin's house were Lynn Wiesehan, Jack Parks, Jane Hewlett and Margo Milford. Congrats to the entire music department for the best show yet.

Engraved gold bracelets and "sissy-blouses" for Miss Meyer and Miss Hachtman, gold cuff links and a sport shirt for Monty were the gifts from the cast to the three directors of this year's operetta, "Brigadoon 1953" was engraved on each piece of jewelry.

Have you noticed members of the fabulous s'wonderful sevens class (rah! rah!) floating down the halls on cloud nine? Reason? Could be the glittering new class rings.

Decorations show true Xmas spirit

The true Christmas spirit has taken over at SW, as is evident in decorations . . . the library windows portraying the Nativity, the display case in the main corridor with ceramic figures also depicting the first Christmas and the simulated stained glass window created last year for the Christmas and by Mrs. Markman's classes and color freshened now by Miss Boedecker's artists.

In the library the stained glass design covers five windows. In the center window

Season's Greetings

Senior spooks celebrate mad holidays

WE'RE BACK, YOU DIABOLICAL DEMONS, with the finale of our little play. We left off in the last issue just where Hairy, the disappointed lover, had bargained with the sorceress to make the charming little village of Bring-a-noon vanish into the mists forever.

But since inhabitants of the little village had been particularly blood-curdling and evil during their entire lives, the sorceress decided to take pity on them and allow the village to reappear once every hundred years, on a day when things were extraordinarily fiendish.

After spending the whole day in Bring-a-noon, Tombeys finds he must return to the old haunts of the United States. However, he is very lonely in his huge grave back in the states and yearns to see Fiendness again. Therefore, packing all of his favorite fiendish devices, he leaves the U. S. forever to return to the haunted

highlands where he is reunited with Fiendness.

Thus ends the first published work of those two arsenicized playwrights and you're probably thinking it's a good thing. Oh well, true art just doesn't seem to be appreciated any more.

AND NOW ANOTHER PRESENTATION. Here are some of the special activities that several SW Senior Spooks will be taking part in during the holidays. Jolly old St. Nick will be panically portrayed by John Horn.

If you happen to be glued

to the keyhole of your front door Christmas Eve, you may be fortunate enough to detect the walls of a group of carolers, including Janice Louise King, Nancy Lee Fricke, Mary Ann Schmidt, Phyllis Ellen Duffett, Karen G. Duchek, Carol Joan Hopmann, Linda Jeanne Dembeck and Barbel (she doesn't have a middle name) Holtmann.

AND I HEARD THEM YELL as they flew out of sight (on their broomsticks) Felix Navidad, Joyeux Noel, Buon Natale, Bona Natalis, Froehliche Weinachten and all that jazz.

Tales of joy and cheer

Christmas bells are ringing,
Telling tales of joy and cheer.
To each of you a Merry Christmas
From the staff of your "Pioneer."



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Record set as 143 top honor roll; fives lead

A record number of 143 students, or eight per cent of the school, took home report cards on Dec. 4 with four or more A's or H's. Semester five students topped the list with 14.6 per cent making the Super Honor Roll; the sevens were second with 12.8 per cent. Girls outnumbered boys, 88 to 54.

Semester eight . . . 5 A's—Phyllis Duffett, Barbel Holtmann, Sandi Ince, Sue Ingebrisen, Mary Ann Schmidt, Ron Schowalter. **4 1/2 A's**—Marilyn Spiel-doch, Leon Willis. **4 A's**—Bruce Breuer, Linda Dembeck, Barbara Steber.

Semester seven . . . 5 A's—Jim Carothers, Karen Gieck, Fay Lampros, Seth Langton. **4 1/2 A's**—Marilyn Ashe, Sandy Britton, Karen Heggen, Nada Klusmeyer, Diane Krauss, Ted Popowchak, Valerie Rudolph. **4 A's**—Brent Baker, Bob Boland, Gloria Bolz, Laura Carmichael, Sheila Fletcher, Jane Fox, Dorothy Gerber, Charlotte Grasel, Ann Hanson, Carole Ann Hughes, Helen Leidl, Jonnie Muench, Jane Schaefer, Wayne Shannon, Terry Anne Wright.

Semester six . . . 5 A's—Carol Boken, Jim Merod, Jim Nelson. **4 1/2 A's**—Jean Krost, Marcell Milicic, Larry Schulze. **4 A's**—Jim Jordan, Dave Krajcovic, Art Loeschner, Art Ruff.

Semester five . . . 5 1/2 A's—Mary Ann Koverly, Kenneth Velten. **5 A's**—Douglas Bickerstaff, Georgia Dunlap, Grant Pults, Jerry Johnson, Don Klasing, Jim McClurg, Dale Schoenbeck. **4 1/2 A's**—Fred Brinkop, Claudia Buck, Kathy Featherstone, Karen Krell, Joan Lowry, Marcella Morgan, Mary Ryan, Bill Snyder, Barbara Slegfried, Carol Spellmeyer, Barbara Sullivan, Sandy Wetterau. **4 A's**—Erl Bays, Rosalie Boneau, Don Capstick, Jim Cook, Mary Ann Finazzo, Bill Grams, Elaine Hilgeman, Alan Kana, Kathleen Lewis, Connie Netherton, Verena Scharer, Kathy Stevenson, Ed Veach, Gwendolynn Whitworth, Charlotte Williams, Gary Worford.

Semester four . . . 5 1/2 A's—Barbara Barrow. **5 A's**—David Daniels, Carol Lee Duncan, Douglas Puls. **4 1/2 A's**—Kay Blair. **4 A's**—Dianne Rife, Sharon Schove, Frances Sarson, Cathy Zlaut.

Semester three . . . 5 1/2 A's—Mary Schoenbeck, Robert Waggoner. **5 A's**—Diane Amoss, Carolyn Baum, Jim Blaison, Alan Rowizza, Carmelina Strano, Bill Whitney. **4 1/2 A's**—Pat Baumann, Carol Bittner, Patrick Carriere, Margaret Duffett, Mary McCain, Sandy Miller, Kenneth Tacony, 4 A's—Nancy Coburn, John Fall,

Buchholz fame spreads

by Judy Doswald

Most of us just dream about traveling to far-away places, but not Earl Buchholz, now in Australia representing the United States in the Davis Cup tournament. He is the older brother of SW tennis star, Cliff.

For Cliff, who hears firsthand about this romantic country, Australia has become as real as the U. S. "Earl, until February, when he returns to

St. Louis, stays in either Melbourne or Sydney at top rated hotels and dines at exclusive restaurants, but he admits their steaks are tougher than ours," laughed brown-eyed Cliff.

"Of course, tennis is an even bigger sport in Australia than baseball is here. It is not uncommon to see tennis courts in the yards of Australians. Naturally, Earl is much admired for his skill and is often asked for his autograph.

"Australian experts say this tennis-mad country (Australia) hasn't a junior to touch Buchholz. Adrian Quist, a former Davis Cupper and shrewd tennis judge, rates him the best junior the United States has sent to Australia since World War II."

Cliff himself continues to make newspaper headlines. He won his first National Indoor Boys' Tennis Championship when he defeated Ladue's top-seeded Jim Parker in a 6-2, 6-1 singles final, Nov. 27-30, at the 138th Infantry Armory.

"I hope to compete in the Orange Bowl tournament in Miami, Fla., during the Christmas holidays," Cliff says happily; "but if I compete I may



Cliff Buchholz . . . now national boys' tennis champ.

become ineligible to play on SW tennis team. The Missouri State High School Activities Association will decide."



Lost and found

"Has anyone seen my silver pen?" questioned Mr. Cameron, hurriedly rushing into General English 6-8.

Eddie Hewlett asked him to describe it.

At this point Mr. Cameron reached into his coat pocket and pulled out a silver pen. "It's just like this one. Why, it is this one!" he exclaimed with a bewildered laugh.

Coffee break?

"Would you girls like some coffee?" Mrs. Stucki asked Lynn Wiesehan and Mary Rose Ferrara in her sixth period study hall.

The two girls, quite embarrassed and confused by the question, broke up their conversation while Mrs. Stucki continued, "If you are going to have a coffee clutch, you may as well have some coffee."

Michael Green, Sheila Reynolds, Bill Roch, Susie Spiedoch, Eileen Sterloff, Joan Thobes.

Semester two . . . 3 H's, 2 1/2 A's—David Krauss. **2 H's, 3 A's**—Phillip Klasskin, Harold Plening. **1 H, 3 A's**—Frank Buchmeier, Linda Rodgers. **5 1/2 A's**—Eugene Hargrove. **5 A's**—Carol Pate. **4 1/2 A's**—Karen Fries. **4 A's**—Janet Hradsky, Judy Juergens, Louis Sloboda.

Semester one . . . 3 H's, 2 A's—Merry Lindauer. **2 H's, 3 A's**—Robert Crain, Thomas Lynch, Glen Percy. **1 H, 4 A's**—Janice Chong, Rebecca Roussin. **1 H, 3 A's**—Eugene Boisauvin, Susan Stoehr. **5 A's**—Robert Duncan, Phillip Keim. **4 A's**—Mary Ellen Hamilton, Hilde Herkstroeter, Jennie Hill, Sandra Lee, Janette Requarth, Virginia Spencer.

Ethiopia--his home 6 years

"In Ethiopia, Christmas is celebrated by a great feast, instead of by an exchange of gifts. Lately, due to the American influence, Christmas trees are becoming popular." It's Stanley Rouk, semester five of Miss Meenach's advisory, who spent six years in Ethiopia, speaking.

"Two weeks after Christmas comes another religious holiday, Timecat. On this day the priest of the Coptic Christians, the only sect of Christians living in Ethiopia, floats a lighted candle on a wooden cross in the river, blesses the water and then baptizes the members of the church.

"When I was nine my family moved to Jimma, Ethiopia, because my father was hired by the government to establish an agricultural school for high school and college students." The Rouks are originally from Stillwater, Oklahoma, where

Stan's father was a professor at Oklahoma State University.

In Jimma, Stan was the only American his age, and, therefore, he didn't have to attend school because there wasn't any. His mother, with the aid of a correspondence course, taught him until he was old enough to go to his father's school, where Stan was the only non-Ethiopian student.

"Ethiopia is a hunter's paradise," Stan reminisced. He loved to shoot wild boar and gazelle. His life's ambition is to shoot a lion.

About St. Louis, Stan shrugged his shoulders and said, "Oh, I like it, but it's rather hectic; everybody is in such a hurry!"

SWerners plan festive holidays

by Sam Lirely

Christmas is here again. With it come many plans for the gay festive holidays.

Among SW's travelers will be Karen Gieck, who will bask in the warm sunshine as she visits relatives in Lakeside, Florida, and Al Finkelstein, who will be in the "Windy City" (Chicago) also visiting relatives.

David Wise plans to hunt rabbits with his father, using the new gun he hopes to get for Christmas; while athletic Miss J. Mueller, GAA sponsor, will hunt in northeastern Missouri.

Some SWerners, however, like Pat Klausner, will use the holidays to catch up on work left undone since summer vacation.

Byron Smyrniotes will put in some hours on his Science Fair project. Sheila Fletcher will be making some new clothes as she spends the last week of '58 with her family.

Mr. Leftwich, SW biology

Koch equipped to battle TB on all fronts

by Hughes and Edelen

Koch Hospital, when we two Pioneer reporters visited it last month as members of a TB Society tour, at first gave us the impression of a college campus—rambling buildings set in a landscaped park, the Jefferson Memorial Bridge gleaming in the distance, fall breezes blowing colorful leaves gently to the ground.

In this lovely and serene setting, we found that the battle against TB goes on 24 hours a day. Weapons used are drugs, bed rest and relaxation, surgery, when necessary, and good food.

Toys for tots

For the nursery-aged patients there are toys, coaching in school subjects for older children, occupational therapy for adults. These weapons, along with a competent staff of doctors and nurses, make physical and mental recuperation not only possible, but very probable.

Although most patients come voluntarily to the hospital, there are those who protest against medical attention. Anyone who has active tuberculosis is unwilling to seek a cure is subject to arrest by the police. Therefore, a locked ward secures such health risks from roaming the city. However, all patients, regardless of reaction to treatment, receive the same medical attention.

A true community

Koch itself is a community. A small store is stocked with everything the well equipped patient needs. There are chapels, a library, a post-office, a school and even a newspaper. Still, comparatively few patients have active access to these facilities; most are bed patients.

We were quite surprised when one of the boys on our tour, a student at Soldan, was introduced as a former patient at Koch. Now sturdy and full of enthusiasm, he is living proof that modern weapons do conquer TB.

teacher, will babysit for his brand-spanking new baby son, born Dec. 7. Marilyn Jones will babysit, too, with her one-year-old niece while her sister prepares to leave for Europe to join her husband. (No stowaways in the trunk, Marilyn!) Catching up on their lost rest will be Charnel Martin and SW Band director, Mr. Monachesi.

There's one person who has big plans for Christmas Eve. That's Sandi Ince, who will wait up for Santa with some of her home-made cookies. He's stood her up for the last seventeen years for some reason unknown to Sandi.

There are some who have plans of profit for the day after Christmas. Jerry Hess, Dave Dunkin and Bill Nation will collect old Christmas trees from ashpits to sell next year.

What about me? I'll join the happy crowds flocking to see the cagers in the Christmas Tournament. Yea! SW!

At Hampton Village

Skeeter masquerades as Santa Claus

by Carole, Kathy and Nada

It was a cold, bleak wintry night, but, nevertheless, we three valiant Pioneer reporters pushed onward to Hampton Village. We had a tough assignment, but we were determined gals; we would not fail . . . we'd prove that there was a real Santa Claus.

"Look, there he is!" Nada exclaimed. "Right over in front of Kresge's, talking to that little boy." On with our mission.

"Hey, can we have some candy, Santa?" we asked.

"Say," Kathy whispered, "doesn't Santa look familiar?"

"Pull down that beard," ordered Carole suspiciously.

Quickly we fired questions—"Your name Charlie (Skeeter) Zagarrri? You go to SW High? Hmm, you're a five of Miss Reinhardt's advisory?"

Santa shrugged his shoulders and nodded, "Yes."

"Well," continued Carole, "what are you doing in Santa's garb?"

Living up to our reputation as star reporters,



Skeeter and the girls. From left: Nada Klusmeyer. Santa (Skeeter Zagarrri), Carole Ann Hughes and Kathy Stevenson.

we discovered that our SW Santa works every night from five to nine and all day Saturday, spreading joy and cheer to little tots "and big ones."

We took our candy and bid Santa goodbye, sadly disillusioned. We had found our answer; there is no one Santa Claus, but many, all with the spirit of Christmas.

Xmas tourney starts Friday at Hadley gym

The Public High League Christmas Tournament opens the day after tomorrow with all 16 teams participating in the first round. The final round will be played Tuesday, Dec. 30. All games will be played at Hadley.

The schedule of remaining league games is as follows: Jan. 10, Hadley; Jan. 16, Roosevelt; Jan. 30, Central; Feb. 7, Sumner; Feb. 14, Beaumont; Feb. 21, McKinley; and Feb. 28, Cleveland.

McBride 58—SW 49

The Steers lost a closely contested game to McBride Dec. 3 by the score of 58-49. High scorers for the Longhorns were Herb Blase with 17 points and Jim Graves with 12 points.

SW 49—O'Fallon 39

The steady shooting of Carl Harris in the fourth period helped the Steers pull away from the O'Fallon Hornets Dec. 6 and go on to win the game. High scorers for the Longhorns were Herb Blase with 15 points and Carl Harris with 14.

Vashon 59—SW 24

The Longhorn cagers suffered their first league defeat Dec. 14, at the hands of the Vashon Wolverines. The score was Vashon 59—SW 24. High scorers for the Steers were Herb Blase with 6 points and Carl Harris with 5 points.

Webster 75—SW 41

In a non-league game Dec. 16, the Steers ran up against a solid defense and a fast-



Graduating cheerleaders (from left) Carol Oshiek and Judy Baker give a final cheer for the graduating lettermen. First row (left to right): Don Parentin, Jerry Gleason, Rich Green, Mike Wofford, Bob Bullock, Tom Carney, Bill Frimel and Bob Udell. Second row: Ron Graves, Al Jones, Lynn Wallerstedt, Ed Heymann, Gayle Taylor, Vince Brockmeier, Jerry Hess, Ed Schlottach, Ron Schowalter and Curt Lischer.

Eighteen graduates collect 40 emblems

Eighteen of the Jan. '59 graduates, by exhibiting their athletic ability and determination on the field, court, diamond, cinder paths and fairways, have accumulated a total of 40 letters.

breaking offense in their 75-41 loss to the Webster Statesmen. High scorer for the Longhorns and for the game was Co-Captain Jim Graves with 16 points.

Soldan 58—SW 40

The Longhorns dropped their second straight league game to the Soldan Tigers, Saturday, Dec. 20, at the St. Louis U High gym. Herb Blase's 16 points paced the Steers. Asked for a comment on this year's team, Mr. Ashley replied, "We're just a 40-point ball club."

Jerry Gleason, elected by the graduates as "most athletic," and Rich Green lead the class with six letters apiece. Each captained a SW team: Jerry, senior track; Rich, varsity football.

Mr. Beezley's track squad will be the hardest hit, losing ten lettermen. Shotputters, Rich Green and Jerry Gleason, have earned three. The rest of the graduating thinclads, Ron Graves, Al Jones, Vince Brockmeier, Jerry Hess, Curt Lischer, Don Parentin, Bob Bullock and Bill Frimel, have one emblem apiece.

Football is a close second, with Mr. Kenny losing nine monogram winners through graduation. Jerry Gleason and Rich Green are three-year veterans; Mike Wofford, Tom Carney and Bob Bullock, two-year men. One-year lettermen include Gayle Taylor, Don Parentin, Vince Brockmeier and Al Jones.

Three letter wearers will be absent from the SW nine next spring. They are Mike Wofford, Ed Schlottach and Gayle Taylor, all single emblem winners. Bob Udell earned two manager awards in baseball.

Two monogrammers will be missing from the fairways and greens, when three year-men,

Ed Heymann, and one-year winner, Lynn Wallerstedt, graduate.

Mr. Close's champion netmen, losing only Ron Schowalter, a one-year letterman, will be touched the lightest.

Co-Captain Judy Baker and Carol Oshiek are the only graduating cheerleaders, with each holding one letter in that department.

They earned part in championships

Hey, hey,

What do you say?

SW take that ball away!

These familiar words, as well as their green sweaters and gold culottes, identify SW's great cheerleaders. Bundles of energy and school spirit, they have earned a part in SW's athletic championships. And, strangely enough, they have plenty of energy left for other activities.

Co-Captain Margo Milford is a member of GAA, a SC alternate, Pep Club adviser, a Junior Red Cross artist and a member of choir. Co-Captain Judy Baker is SW's Prom reporter, treasurer of the Jan. '59 class, member of Pep Club, Cheerleaders' Club student sponsor, member of GAA and a Miss SW Maid.

Jan Baldwin is Pep Club treasurer, GAA Bowling captain, Stamp and Bond salesman and a student of dramatics.

Marge Connley belongs to the Pioneer staff, Cheerleaders' Club and is vice-president of the Pep Club, a member of GAA and a bowler. Sheila Fletcher is president of the Cheerleaders Club, member of GAA, takes part in Junior Red Cross art and in dramatics. She also is a member of the Crewsteps, popular vocal ensemble.

Jane Matula is secretary of the Cheerleaders Club, SC alternate, member of GAA and the Latin Club.

Carol Oshiek is vice-president of the Jan. '59 class, GAA basketball captain, president of Pep Club, member of Choir, Cheerleaders Club and a Miss SW Maid. Karen Schuchart is a SC and City-Wide SC member, ardent member of the Y-Teen Club and secretary of the Pep Club.

Lynn Wiesehan is Miss SW of 1958, member of Scruggs fashion board, Junior Red Cross artist, group treasurer of Choir,

'Post' selects tackle Gleason as All-District

The All-District high school football team, the cream of the '58 crop, has been chosen by area sportswriters. These boys, the high school stars of today, are St. Louis' annual contribution to the college football fronts, where they may someday be the gridiron greats of tomorrow.

SW's own contribution to this selection of super stars is Jerry Gleason, chosen by the Post-Dispatch as a first team tackle. Jerry has also been honored by Teen magazine, earning honorable mention as a prep All-American.

Co-captain Bruce Geiger was chosen by both city papers for the All-District second team, while the Globe also awarded Rich Green a second team tackle berth.

Honorable mention All-District recognition from the Globe went to Tom Carney and Dick Strader.

All-League selections, including both papers' picks, were halfback Geiger and tackles Green and Gleason, with center Tom Meiners receiving honorable mention.

According to Coach Jim Kenny, "These boys richly deserved any honors they were awarded. I wish them many more."

"The Pioneer congratulates these six boys for their personal achievements and the entire football team for an exciting and successful season," says Sports Co-Editor Fred Marty.



The GAA basketball tournament officially ended Dec. 16, with Jo Ann Weekley's team in first place and Sandy Mueller's and Barbel Holtmann's teams tied for second. The playoff game was yesterday, too late to report in this issue. The losing team dropped into fourth place because Dotte Sydow's team established third place.

Twenty-five SW Suzles will bowl Monday, Dec. 29, in the state-wide Christmas Tournament sponsored by the Missouri Junior Bowling Congress. This is the first time SW gals have entered, and we wish them loads of luck and lots of strikes.

The GAA Coke and Cake Sale last week, under the supervision of Miss J. Mueller and special helper Phyllis Duffett, was a terrific success.

president of Girls Glee, star of last year's operetta "Sweethearts" and this year's "Brigadoon."

Donna Williams is vice-president of Cheerleaders Club, a basketball captain in GAA, a member of Girls Glee and a Miss SW Maid. Mary Ferrara and Judy Schubert, able assistants, are found in pep sessions posing as Snafu.

At Steinberg

Skating job is freezing fun

by Carole Ann Hughes

Plip! "Now Chuckie, that's no way to stop," I said jokingly to the small five-year-old ball on the ice beside me. Chuckie responded with a sheepish grin and scrambled up as quickly as his bulky snow pants and heavy car coat would allow. Before I could grab him, his stubby legs shot out and he was down again.

"Ups-a-daisy," I began, this time getting a firm grip. "What's that? You like recess better than anything else in kindergarten, and you have a puppy named Tarzan?" I get more interesting information these nippy winter days as skating instructor at Steinberg Memorial Rink.

My eagle eye glanced at the clock. I figured with close timing we could go around once more and I could convince Chuckie he was tired and cold by the end of the half hour lesson. Then at last I could straighten my vertebrae and relax. (You try staying in a bent position for half an hour!) As soon as I walked into the Skate Shop, though, I was introduced to my next pupil, a six foot three inch, 250 pound man.

Thus pass my week-end hours, with never a dull moment in this p-p-perfect sk-sk-skating w-w-weather. Bur-r-r-r.



Shooting Stars

Presenting the cager co-captains, Herb and Jim

Drizzle down the sidelines!

Shoot from the floor!

Guard 'em, Herb,

And raise that score.

That's Herb Blase, high scoring guard of the SW cagers.

"Last year, I started out on the B-team, but by some good luck, was put into the last few varsity games," he tells.

This year, Herb was elected co-captain of the squad. Herb, semester five of Mr. Pinkus' advisory, pals around with Steve Goldman, Bill Grana, Ken Marschuetz and a gal whose name begins with an S (as in Susie).

About the team's possibilities this year, he says, "Even though our team is not too experienced, we'll have a good chance for second or third place in the Public High League if large crowds show up at the games."