



This likely looking group are the chairmen of the Senior Class Committees. They are from left: row 1 (sitting): Bonnie Rodcay and Paul Fotsch. Row 2 (sitting): Toni Messina, Sue Soroka, Trina Ossowsky, Trish Harris, Karen Woods, Jim Cook and Jean Colombo. Row 3 (standing): Don Gieseke, Randy Huck, Bruce Thomas, Jim Moorad, Bob Copeland, Bill McDavid, Bill Sprotte, Tom Bills and Terry Guckes. Missing from picture are Carol Popowchak and Doris Purcelli.

Roundup has plan for year

"The theme will probably go western," said Mr. R. Meyer, sponsor of the school yearbook, **Roundup**, when questioned about his staff's plans. The dedication will be decided in the late winter. As far as the cover is concerned, a suggestion of a black background with a gold school emblem is being considered. The total size will be around 225 pages.

So far, the staff, headed by editor Susie Soroka, has identified all the people in the pictures taken of various activities this fall. **Roundup** hopes to start on the organization of the senior pages before Christmas. However, this is impossible until all seniors have had their pictures taken at Vincent Price.

Roundup will again cost \$2.75. This price (one of the lowest in the St. Louis area), has enabled the staff to sell nearly 2,200 copies. This is one of the highest circulation rates in the whole state.

Jeannie Dow wins award at journalism conference

Jeannie Dow won first place in the feature writing contest at Washington University's tenth annual Junior Journalism Press Conference on Saturday, November 19.

The conference began with registration at 7:45 a.m. Four members of the **Pioneer** staff competed with students from Missouri and Illinois in sectional contests: Nancy Freer, in news; Linda Hall, in editorials; Jeannie Dow, in features; and Bruce Thomas, in sports. Also attending as alternates were Virginia Vago, Sandi Purcelli, August Favazo, Trina Ossowsky, and Bill Greenwood. Mrs. Morrissey served as a proctor.

After an hour of writing, a general session was held at Graham Chapel, where the prospective journalists heard Martin Duggan, Associate Managing Editor of the **St. Louis Globe-Democrat**. He gave five "alphabetical" points to strive

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Contests at SW

Rode and Fischer hail patriotism

Two SW students are competing for national honors in contests about Americanism.

One student is Kathy Rode, semester 7. She is competing in the **Voice of Democracy** contest on the subject "What democracy means to me".

Kathy's entry started as an essay in her government class. Then a tape of her entry was entered in the city competition.

Martin Fischer, semester 7, is SW's other competitor. He is SW's representative in the **Missouri High School Oratorical Contest** sponsored by the

American Legion. "Sweet Freedom's Song" is the title of his five minute oration.

Martin and the other five students who tried out based their speeches on some phase of the Constitution of the United States which empha-

sizes the obligations of a citizen to the government. They tried out on November 7 in the auditorium before a panel of five judges.

Martin represented SW in the city competition on December 6.



TWO CONTEST WINNERS take their places at the podium. They are Kathy Rode and Martin Fischer.

In the Wind

Dec. 15 . . . A capella choir to sing for the Missouri Pacific Men's Club at the Sheraton-Jefferson . . . the program will include Christmas carols and religious songs.

Dec. 19 . . . A capella choir to carol for the Senior Citizen's Club in the Missouri State Hospital . . . Student Council to decorate the cafeteria with a Christmas tree.

Dec. 22 . . . SC sponsors Dress-up Day . . . double aud session in the morning featuring Christmas music played by the orchestra and sung by all choirs . . . early dismissal at 12:00 p.m. until classes resume Jan. 3.

Senior committees begin plans for year

Senior Committees for the Senior Class of 1967 were recently chosen by the Class President, Tom Bills. The Seniors will now begin their activities for the year.

The **Senior Dance Committee** presented its first dance, **Ho-Ho a Go-Go** on Dec. 7. The Dance Committee Chairmen are Karen Woods and Jim Cook. Randy Huck is in charge of decorations, Carol Popowchak, publicity, Bob Copeland, refreshments, and Bill McDavid, tickets.

The **Prom Committee** is under the co-chairmen, Don Gieseke and Terry Guckes. Members are Linda Brown, Bob Butchko, Judy Donaldson, Charlie Etwert, Pam Grebe, Cathy Maichel, Peggy Pfeil, Howard Rudder, Rob Weaver,

and Al Wittgrove.

Trish Harris and Bill Sprotte head the **Senior Luncheon Committee**. Mike Brown, Cathy Carter, Steve Detter, Harold Daut, Don Leong, Ruth Ode, Cheryl Rousey, and Nathan Strickland are the committee members.

Jim Moorad and Trina Ossowsky, co-chairmen of the **Class Motto Committee**, are assisted by Brenda Dillon, Kathy Kenny, Lona Lansing, Pam Mills and Linda Rapert. The **Class Song Committee** is chaired by Paul Fotsch and Doris Purcelli with Nadine Bicket, Ruth McKenna, Gladys Nickens and Bob Usher as committee members.

Susie Soroka and Bruce Thomas are co-chairmen of the **Class Gift Committee**. Members are Jeanette Ball, Lea Diamandis, Terry Donze, Bob Helbig and Chris Mitchell. Jean Colombo and Bonnie Rodcay are in charge of the **Baby Picture Committee**. Dennis Abernathie, Judy Depenadah, Harry White, Nickie Willcox and Ann Willmann are the members.

Trina's for Junior Miss

"Totally shocked" was the feeling expressed by Trina Ossowsky when she was chosen as one of the six state finalists for Junior Miss on November 26 at the Sheraton-Jefferson Hotel.

Trina competed with about fifty girls chosen from the information on their applications. Three things were considered in the judging of these Junior Miss candidates. They were poise and appearance, ability to handle an interview, and a talent. For her contribution in talent Trina proudly stated that she modeled some of her clothes that she had made.

In the state contest, the girls will also be judged on a fourth point, physical fitness. The state finalist, to be chosen on January 22, will win a trip to Mobile, Alabama. There she will compete in the national contest. The national winner receives a \$10,000 four-year scholarship to the college of her choice.

City-wide SC president

Southwest can be proud of Jim Moorad, Student Council president, who was elected president of the city-wide Student Council on Tuesday, November 8.

The city-wide Student Council, which meets at Shaw Grade School, is sponsored by Mr. Otto Rost, the Director of Secondary Education for the St. Louis Board of Education. At the meetings there are two representatives, usually Student Council officers, from each of the eleven public high schools in St. Louis. Southwest's other representative is its SC vice-president, Randy

Huck.

Jim, as the new president, will preside at all of the Council meetings. The Council offers opinions on current teen problems and seeks answers to these problems with Board of Education members. They also compare the systems of operations of the different Student Councils.

When asked how he felt about his election, Jim said, "The members of the city-wide Council are those with whom I went to Washington. Therefore, I was very happy and proud that they elected me president."

Toliver has "B" average

Terry Toliver, June '65 graduate, was recently elected to the Rolla Chapter of Phi Eta Sigma, National Freshman Men's Honor Fraternity, at the University of Missouri.

To qualify for membership, Terry had to have a 3.50 grade average or better.

Janet Maier, became Mrs. Carl Mundelius last October. Both are June '66 grads. Also, Merribrooke Havener, June '66 grad, plans to marry Larry Mayor—a June '65 graduate. Cathy LaGree, June '66 graduate, has just announced her engagement to Herman Rapert, a June '65 graduate.

Bill Pease, January '65 graduate, has qualified for Officer's Candidate School, in the United States Marine Corp.

Dan Miller, June '66 graduate, is now active in track at Harris Teachers College. His coach is Mr. Larry Berres, former cross-country coach here at SW.

Moorad gives council goals

"The most disappointing thing which plagues the Student Council this year is the poor turnouts at school sponsored activities", says Jim Moorad, Student Council President.

Jim hopes that each student in the school will turn out to support Southwest's basketball and wrestling teams, which are just beginning their seasons. The Pep Club was organized last year to provide more student participation in sports activities, but it takes the whole student body to really do the job right, according to Jim.

When asked about the Student Council's goals, Jim stated, "We have had many pep sessions and we hope to have many more. Also, the Council is planning a freshman handbook, basketball homecoming and new flags for the band."



The art of humility? What is real greatness?

Certainly self-confidence and assurance are necessary ingredients of success. However, when carried beyond proportion, they create unmanageable problems. Maturity consists of the proper channeling of these feelings. Unfortunately, some individuals, be they fourteen or forty, are too immature to channel them properly.

In politics, it is the self-appointed superlatives like Joseph Cannon who create the agonizing deadlocks which stall the passage of effective legislation. In the arts, one immature performer like Maria Callas can cost a great deal in terms of delays and expenses.

Unfortunately, high schools such as Southwest have their immature "stars," too. They show up in operetta, on PIONEER staff, and in the Student Council. Though these groups are composed of highly effective persons, they can be rendered helpless by one uncooperative attitude in a key spot.

Since the person who is "always right" is creating problems for others, why doesn't he strive for full maturity and be of assistance instead? For these few immature persons are remembered much longer than the many who are well-schooled in the art of humility.

Books fit all types

Planning to send Fidel Castro a present this Christmas? Miss Boerjesson suggests you make it "From Russia with Love" by Ian Fleming.

Is President Johnson on your list? How about "Father of the Bride" by Edward Streeter?

As for Mao Tse Tung, be sure to send him a copy of "Better Dead than Red" by Stanley Reynolds.

The secret, of course, is to find a gift which exactly fits the recipient. So with the above suggestions in mind, your Christmas shopping should now be much easier!

Potts peeks at Operetta; "Pajama Game" on stage

On December 1st at 8:00 p.m., Southwest presented the operetta "Pajama Game" based on Richard Bissel's lively novel, *Seven and a Half Cents*. The show ran for two nights, to a capacity crowd, and it was a fine performance in spite of many distractions, many people, and a cumbersome musical score.

The orchestra, under Mr. Nordman's brilliant leadership, worked on the operetta's music for many weeks, and their performance had all the earmarks of real professionalism. Said Mr. Nordman of the "Pajama Game" music, "It is very difficult because of the rhythmic reverses in the middle of songs. But we caught on."

In the cast, Doris Purcelli's beauty and sparkling personality added to the role of "Babe", the feminine lead. Bass Bob Schroll was equally impressive in his role as "Sid", the male lead. Both principals had strong young voices that blended well in songs and dialogue. One long-remembered number will be their rendition of "Small Talk". The comedy team of Willner and Hansen performed their rollicking roles of "Hines" and "Gladys" tremendously well. At several points they had the crowds

rolling in the aisles. Said Bob Schroll of the two, "They were custom-made for the roles." Ken Hettland as "Pres" and Bill Mignerone as "Hasler" gave their supporting roles great enthusiasm.

As an overall performance, SW students can be proud of the production and cast in "Pajama Game". It was rousing, entertaining, and "one heck of a show."

Marty Hansen expressed the feelings of the entire cast when she said, "I don't know when I've had such fun!"

Japan plants moon garden

You've heard the old joke that "their Germans are ahead of our Germans," but when all the Germans get together, a Japanese beats them to the moon!

It's true. In Pierre Boule's book *Garden on the Moon*, copyright 1965 by the Vanguard Press, an enterprising Japanese named Kanashima scoops the scientific world and gets to the moon first, simply because he doesn't worry about the little problem of how to get back.

With remarkable adaptability, he creates his own environment. One thing he does is build a rock garden. In his own words: "I cleared the dust and attacked the soil with a pick. I managed to dig up some rocks of various shapes and sizes. I carried them back to my domain without any undue effort; they weigh only one-sixth as much as on earth. With these, I constructed a few irregularly spaced piles and took great pains to give them a picturesque shape." Then Kanashima calmly paints watercolors and writes poetry, though his oxygen supply is running out.

Finally, he decides not to wait for the inevitable suffocation, and becomes the first man to commit hari-kari by explosion — but read the way he does it for yourself!

Keep "Hello Day" smiles

Walking down the corridors of Southwest on its traditional Hello Day is a pleasant experience for everyone. Students, as well as the faculty, find themselves exchanging greetings and signing tags with a cheerful look on their faces throughout the entire day.

But what happens to all this bubbling friendliness on the days that follow Hello Day? Why do half the students pass from class to class, as if in a daze, with their noses either up in the air or down on the floor—completely blinded by the idea that a slight "hello" or smile might just be the thing to brighten up another's day?

Possessing this awareness of fellow classmates is something on which a lot of SWerner's could improve. And this awareness should be towards all classmates, not only the good-looking, popular ones or best friends, but also the shy, unknown acquaintances from several classes.

If every student and teacher could show this sociability and good-nature at all times, wouldn't there be a more spirited united air in the Southwest halls, cafeteria, and classrooms—almost as if every day were Hello Day!

New equipment stimulates students' interest

Spontaneous applause and spirited comments were the reactions of Southwesterners toward the new Distributive Education mannequins. Several "Aren't they cute?" arose from girls at the pep session where the male and female mannequins were introduced as a basketball player and a cheerleader. But the new mannequins aren't toys.

These mannequins are a part of \$300 worth of merchandise acquired for students in the new Distributive Education Program at Southwest. This course is offered daily in room 23 under the guidance of Mr. Huguely.

The names Adam and Eve were unanimously decided upon for the mannequins because they arrived ahead of

their clothing. Until the mannequins' clothing arrived, they were both dressed in aprons. Then to prevent curious students from damaging Adam and Eve, Mr. Huguely posted a note on Adam which read: Mannequins are not to be touched until clothing arrives.

The note was needed because Distributive Education students have eagerly combined their daily classes in business

training with real on-the-job training. These students have enjoyed actual training on how to use a cash register here at school. A large electric-run cash register was also part of the newly-acquired merchandise.

When asked how he enjoys teaching Distributive Education, Mr. Huguely replied, "The response of the students is tremendous."

Sandi Sez



SW's Operetta was presented with care; Pajama Game's cast sewed some pretty good fare; But this year's production is now done; So we're all waiting for another one.



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JOHN PETERS, stage manager of the Munny Opera, speaks to the Dramatics Club.

Only 15 more shopping days

Gift ideas given for difficult cases

Now that Christmas is just a bell chime and a snowflake away, the big question is: "What am I going to give that special someone on my list?"

Cousins, sisters, Mother, friends, aunts—here's something for every girl on your shopping list!

How about a little-sister-size willow stool by Kessler (only a foot high) for her little-sister-size room, for about \$3?

For a collector: a piece of unusual china or an original picture. (Try looking in antique or "junk shops" for inexpensive and unique gifts.)

Christmas ideas include a recipe and a decoration

Home Ec. teachers, Mrs. Lynn and Mrs. Mills, have come up with the following suggestion for yummy Christmas cookies and a decoration.

Thumbprint Cookies

- ½ cup soft butter or margarine
- ¼ cup brown sugar
- 1 egg yolk
- ½ teaspoon vanilla
- 1 cup All-purpose flour
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 egg white
- ¾ cup chopped nuts

Pre-heat oven to 350°. Mix butter, margarine, brown sugar, egg yolk, and vanilla. Sift and measure flour. Blend flour and salt; stir in. Roll 1 teaspoon dough into balls. Dip in slightly beaten egg white and roll in nuts. Place 1" apart on ungreased baking sheet; press thumb gently into center of each cookie. Bake 10 to 12 minutes. Fill thumbprint hole with jelly or tinted confectioners' sugar icing. Makes about 3 dozen cookies.

The simple but beautiful decoration is a tissue paper tablecloth. Use multi-colored tissue paper placed on the table in sections. When the table is finished, add a lot of ribbon and lighted candles and it's complete.

Is there someone on your list who never writes? Why not give a gentle hint? A box of note paper might lead to writer's cramp.

Of course, jewelry or perfume is always a wonderful personal gift for a "fem" if it is chosen with a great deal of care and thought.

When choosing gifts for men, though, you have to be clever. So sleuth a bit and sneak a look at their letters to Santa.

Maybe "he" could lick the world barehanded—but he'll be better off in pile-lined gloves.

So he's wild about cars? Why not give him a subscription to Car and Driver?

So he loves to play golf, but he's always losing his balls in that water hazard on the fourth hole? Ease his mind and his wallet with a box of golf balls.

And he may have the greatest Hi-Fi this side of the Mississippi, but his record supply needs a little boost. Then the nearest music store is your answer.

Herbert Gralnick, the prominent St. Louis artist who has been giving so generously of his time to Miss Davis's art classes, has been interested in art since his childhood.

The teachers who helped him the most were the two outstanding St. Louis artists, Fred Conway and Edward Boccia.

Now Mr. Gralnick, in his turn, is inspiring other young artists here at SW.

This is something he is well-equipped to do because he has given about 50 showings in the last five years. In fact, he has his work in the 36th annual exhibition in the Springfield Art Museum at the present time. His specialty consists of painting and print-making.

John Peters to speak here today

John Peters, production stage manager for the Municipal Theater, will speak to the Dramatics Club tonight after school. The club, under the sponsorship of Miss Guenther, will meet in room 400 to hear Mr. Peters.

Mr. Peters, a veteran singer and actor himself, intends to give the club an inside view of the intricacies of a performance at the Forest Park theater.

As an integral part of the production procedure, Mr. Peters is always on hand during the long hours of rehearsals. His week begins with a Monday rehearsal, intended to iron out the kinks in time for the opening night performance. Publicity pictures are taken for the upcoming show, and principals go through the script. In any given show, it is likely that the principals have played their own part at some other time, but each director has his

own ideas.

Tuesday is devoted to blocking the scenes. That is, analyzing the positions and movements of each of the characters. Even as the principals rehearse their lines, dancing and singing ensembles perfect their numbers. At this time, Mr. Peters may be seen working with the principals, the choruses, or smoothing out the details of staging.

After a day off on Wednesday, all return on Thursday and Friday, at which time the singing and dancing choruses respectively are co-ordinated with the principals.

Saturday's dry run is followed by a midnight rehearsal that evening. After the usual Saturday night performance, a full dress rehearsal is held. At this time, Mr. Peters and his assistants must determine the exact timing of the scene changes and the movement of the huge revolving stage.

The orchestra rehearses with the cast for the first time on Sunday. Monday is opening night. Thus, Mr. Peters' 22 summers with the theater have been a perpetual cycle of perfecting the magnificent performances typical of the Municipal Opera.

During the winter months, Mr. Peters works as stage man-

ager for shows at the American Theater and for some of the performances seen at Kiel Auditorium.

Mr. Peters has background in many of the numerous fields of show business. The drama club will be introduced in brief to his exciting, unusual world.

Mexican trip is club's aim

How many members of the Spanish Club have persuaded you to buy a candy bar recently? Their enthusiasm relates to the club's latest project—aiding SW students to attend a six-week university summer session in Monterrey, Mexico.

The six-week course includes studies, excursions, and a good share of Mexican culture and tradition. The accredited course will result in the participants being granted college or high school credit when they return in the fall.

The Spanish Club plans to divide the money raised from their various projects among the interested students. This should make it possible for several to attend.

It sings

Musical Horn

Every day at 3:20, the "sound of music" can be heard from Bill Williamson's car. It's not his radio, but his car horn that's heard.

Bill Williamson, a junior in Mrs. Bullock's advisory, has a horn which plays "Bridge on the River Kwai" on his green '63 Chevy II. About three months ago Bill's father imported this unique horn and installed it. The Williamsons bought the horn, which was made in Italy, at a custom auto supply company for \$130.

One day, when Bill came home, his father told him to push a button on the dash. Not knowing what to expect, Bill pushed it, and suddenly a horn blared out "Bridge on the River Kwai".



Joe and dog.

Boy still looks for lost dog after heartbreaking ordeal

"I was hoping it would be my dog," said Joe Ernst, semester five of Mrs. German's advisory. On Tuesday, November 15, a stray collie was found roaming on the esplanade of SW. Discovered by the custodians, the hungry and tired collie was allowed to remain in the custodian's quarters until Joe spotted it, and contacted his mother to come and take the dog home for further investigation for likeness to Shep, Joe's long-lost companion.

After Joe's parents brought out the scrapbooks and looked at the dog with great concern, they found that the markings in the roof of the dog's mouth didn't match old Shep's.

Though very disappointed, Joe brought the dog back to the athletic field and let it wander its way back to its waiting owners. Meanwhile Joe still looks for Shep.

Celebrated artist inspires art classes

by Lona Lansing

Mr. Gralnick is also a highly qualified teacher. He earned a BFA from Washington University in 1959, and MFA from the University of Cincinnati in 1961, and a Teacher Accreditation Certificate from Washington University in 1963.

At the close of the interview the reporter finally summoned up her courage enough to blurt out a question that has been on her mind for a long time—

Mr. Gralnick "Why is it that all the artists I've ever seen wear beards?"

Mr. Gralnick looked startled for a moment and then said quite simply.

"Well that really isn't true at all, you know. Men in many other professions wear them,

too. I guess people just like to think that artists are different."

Happiness is a "Cool Yule"

Happiness is a Cool Yule when you find your stocking is full of ten dollar bills—not holes.

Happiness is finding your boyfriend didn't mix names on your Christmas gifts and give you Susan's instead.

Happiness is buying seven Christmas gifts with \$3.10 and one Eagle Stamp book.

Happiness is knowing the three r's of mistletoe; the right place, the right time, the right person.



Usually a student tries to conceal his identity from a teacher. However, on Saturday, October 22nd when Michele Paul cornered a certain blushing biology teacher waiting for his date outside the girls' dorm at St. Louis U., he wouldn't tell his name. Michele still wonders why.

"He doesn't belong in the picture" frantically shouted Ray Horn as Paul Canovan stepped in back of the French Club which was posing for a Roundup picture. Later, Paul was informed that, as the newest member of the French Club, he owed \$1.00 in dues. Paul commented, "I didn't want in the club—just the picture!"

Ladue takes SW 27-25

It was a tough match in which the SW matmen found themselves on the short end as they were nosed out by Ladue 27-25. The meet, held at SW December 2, saw the home team come from behind, only to lose in the final matches.

The team, coached by Mr. Wallach, got off to a slow start during the first two matches. Both Rick Smith and Jim Wells lost their bouts, without a pin being recorded. The Steers finally got on the scoreboard as Larry Karagianus beat his Ladue opponent.

Mike McGrew also added to the SW total as he pinned his man. This brought George Blake onto the mat. The 127 pound wrestler battled his foe from Ladue to a tie. The next Steer to wrestle was Dan

Wegener. Dan had his troubles, not only with his opponent, but also with a constant nose bleed. This hampered his chances, but he still came out on top to win. The nose bleed, which jeopardized Wegener, must have been contagious as Gary Porterfield also contracted the injury. If the nose bleed was contagious, so was the outcome of the bout for Porterfield also was victorious.

Then the breaks turned against the Longhorns, and

Christy golfs her team for championship

If Southwest were to give a special award, **The Girl Golfer of the Year**, it would undoubtedly go to a cute, blonde sophomore of Mrs. Lee's advisory, Christy Brandt.

Christy Brandt has won several championships during recent years, but perhaps the greatest rewards for her long hours of diligent practice came during this last summer.

In the Missouri State Tournament, she took a first in one division with a 93 and 89, and a fifth in over-all competition. At Greenbriar Hills, the country club in which her parents hold a membership, Christy won the Jr. Girls' Club Championship. Another place was claimed by Christy in the Jr. Girls' District Tournament. In competition with many city and county country club teams, Greenbriar's team of which Christy is a member, ranked on top.

Christy's first interest in the sport came at an early age. When she was not allowed to swim during the summer because she had an ear infection, she accompanied her parents to the country club. She now spends up to five days a week there during the school year. In the summertime, she practices every day for about four hours or more.

Ladue started building its own momentum at the expense of SW wrestlers Paul Fannon, Bruce Read, and Jim Stovall. Gary Walker battled his man to a tie. Then, in the last bout the Longhorns staged a rally. This was climaxed by John Haley's pinning his Ladue rival. However, when the total points were tallied, Coach Wallach's men were downed by a mere 2 points.

SW posts 66-55 win in basketball opener

The SW Cagers started their non-league season on a winning note by defeating DuBourg 66-55. All the way, it was a rugged, hard-fought game that was not decided until mid-way in the fourth quarter when the Steers widened the margin.

First game jitters plagued SW in the early minutes, but Captains McGrath and Mc-

Crary, who scored 23 and 20 points respectively, could not be stopped. Center Dave Furgerson ran into early four trouble, but Dennis Franke pumped in 11 big points to pick up the slack.

DuBourg was paced by jumping-jack center, Jim Stuhlmann, who rammed in 19 points and grabbed numerous rebounds. Despite an aggressive defense, the Cavaliers couldn't handle the hot shooting hands of McGrath and McCrary. It was DuBourg's second straight loss.

Over the weekend the Steers lost to Beaumont 51-34 and to Mercy 65-58. Glen Parks paced the quick Blue Jackets with 22 points, while Dave Furgerson tallied 10 for SW. In the Mercy game, Dave was again high with 16 points, but Deckert hit 20 for the winning Bulldogs.



SW CAGERS protect their margin in the last minutes of the DuBourg game.

SW Banquet

Boys accept letters

The Southwest Lettermen's award banquet was held on November 30, at Bevo Mill. The main event of the banquet was the awarding of letters to those boys who have earned them in football and cross-country.

To qualify for a letter in cross-country, a boy must have run in at least five meets, and finished among the top seven runners from his school. To earn a letter in football, the boy must have played in at least twelve offensive or defensive quarters during this year's football season.

A total of 38 boys lettered in the two sports. Mr. Gladstone who is head coach of the football team, lettered 29 boys, including the two managers. Mr. Wallach, coach of the cross-country team, who won the PHL title for the second time in two years, lettered nine boys,

including the manager. Those boys were: Robert Chavez, Gary Garavaglia, Tony Kidd, Mike Murphy, Robert Nesler, Mike Oliver, Steve Ratajczak, Mike Wilson, and Gerald Greco.

Special guest speaker at the dinner was Mr. Dave Puddington, who is head coach of football at Washington University. Mr. Puddington, who has been coaching for five years, has never had a losing season at Washington University.

Mr. George, assistant coach of varsity football at Southwest High School, in commenting on the choice of Mr. Puddington as speaker said, "He really gives his players spirit."

Mr. Puddington is also president of the St. Louis Coaches Association, as well as an honored member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Cagers start new season

"It's a fight for your life every time you go out there."

Commenting on the basketball season, Coach Gower said that every game is tough, depending on the goals that are set. He went on to say that he would be pleased if the Cagers could up last year's six wins to eight or better this season, adding, "We should do better this year."

The coach compared this year's Cagers favorably with last year's team, saying that the players this season are taller, six-foot-two on the average, and just as fast. He

also described the boys as "highly spirited" and "untiring".

From indications in practice, Mr. Gower, starting his second season as basketball coach, believes, "We have a good shooting club." He added that practice went well and according to schedule. The coach is again having the boys run backwards as one of the conditioning exercises.

SW met DuBourg and Beaumont, their toughest opponents, first this year. Today they play Vashon at 4 p.m. at Vashon.



Athletic-minded SW girls attended a gymnastic exhibition at O'Fallon High School Field House on December 8. Mrs. Muriel Grossfield, a U.S. gymnastic champion and Olympic medal winner, performed at the exhibition.

Bowling news

Girl bowlers are looking forward to the Christmas tournament. They will compete for trophies which are furnished by the management of Arway Lanes.

Swimming highlights

Results in swimming races are as follows: in 50-yd. free style, Janet Denkman took 4th place; in the 50-yd. back crawl, Kathy Kolar took 2nd; in the 50-yd. butterfly, Donna Giliberti took 1st place.

Third place in the 100-yd. free style was taken by Joy Hiller, Joyce Hayashi, Kim Planje and Ellen Mohr. The 2nd place in 100-yd. Medley relay was taken by Kathy Kolar, Pam Grebe, Janet Denkman and Donna Giliberti.

Football Cards

Chuck is the ball carrier

Strong, fast, aggressive, intelligent . . . These are just some of the words that describe Chuck Walker, defensive tackle for the Saint Louis Football Cardinals. Chuck says that strict training, self-control and practice are the most important things in football. Natural ability plays a small part in a player's career—not too small, though. As well as Chuck plays the game, he ought to know! According to "the Roadrunner," pro football is an extension of college football. "But the rah-rah spirit," he says, "is replaced by a mature desire to do a good job."

Chuck's other athletic interests include golf, tennis, basketball and horseback riding. In his spare time—if he can find some spare time—Chuck



CHUCK WALKER of the St. Louis Cardinals faces forward.

reads, paints, hunts and speaks to youth groups and business men about athletics.

New soccer club organize

Southwest has organized a Soccer Club for the first time in its history.

The soccer season started on Nov. 20, and there was a turnout of 65 boys who have all had previous experience. The team plans to carry 22 boys, although only 11 are needed on a team.

Mr. George and Mr. Tucker will coach the new Soccer Club.

Mr. Tucker says, "We plan to make this a varsity sport next year, but it will remain a club this year while it is in the building process."

The club hopes to have a 20-game schedule for the season. Now they are playing four public schools: Cleveland, Roosevelt, McKinley, and O'Fallon.

Other games are scheduled with Mercy, University City, Augustine, and St. Louis University. All of these have very experienced teams.

However, SW will have some outstanding and experienced players in boys such as Chris Papajohnis, Larry Mazzuca, Mike Trina, Don Rizzo.

A newcomer from Mexico, Jose Trinveno, even played on a championship team in Mexico.

Sports Schedule

Varsity Basketball
Today . . . SW plays Vashon at 4 p.m. on their courts in a League game.

Dec. 17 . . . Home League game against McKinley at 1:30 p.m.

B Basketball
Today . . . Same as Varsity except played at 5:30 p.m.

Dec. 17 . . . Played at 12:00 before Varsity game the same day.

Wrestling
Today . . . SW at SW against Country Day at 4 p.m.

Dec. 14 . . . Against Cleveland here at 4 p.m.

Dec. 21 . . . SW Vs. Vashon 4 p.m. at Vashon.