

SC Elections Set for 22nd

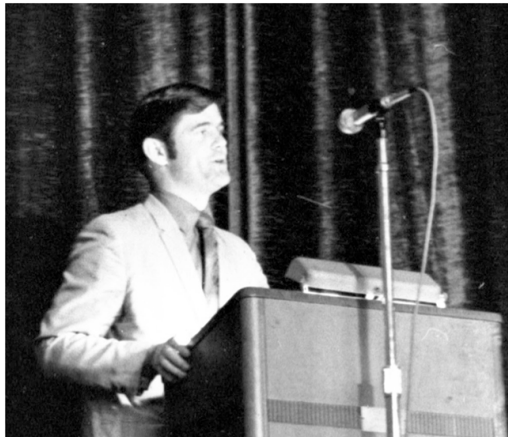
Southwest students will elect Student Council officers for the '70-'71 school year on May 22. The voting will bring to a close days of vigorous campaigning for each of the six candidates.

The principal office sought by the three boys is President, and for the three girls, Secretary. The next positions hoped for are Vice-President and Treasurer, with the two runners-up filling the posts of Executive Officers.

Because of his influence and activities in so many areas, choosing the SC President is a very important decision. The President must have many different talents to do a satisfactory job. He must be an able speaker, as he presides over all aud sessions. As he often represents the student body to the administration and visitors, he should have a pleasant personality. To fulfill his duties in SC, of course, he must be able to lead others and hold their respect. To keep SC effective, he must have, in addition to a working knowledge of the structure of SC, initiative and ingenuity to start new programs. The President should also be able to work with students, as well as lead them; he should not be embarrassed to pitch in and help, where necessary.

It is the Secretary's duty to keep minutes of all SC meetings, along with various other activities. The Vice President takes over the President's jobs, when he is not present, and handles several other facets of SC. The Treasurer must keep careful records of the money SC collects and disperses.

The six nominees were chosen from six boys and ten girls by the junior class at a special aud session yesterday. These sixteen had filed letters of intent, and presented petitions signed by students supporting the candidate. Last month, SC voted down a move to allow girls to run for President.



Drug Abuse

The Reverend Jack Hazelwood, an ex-addict, is shown talking to SW students on drugs in a special aud session April 21. Sponsored by the International Kiwanis Clubs, he is traveling around the country to inform youth on the effects of drugs.

Honor Roll Released

Effort and work placed 249 SWerners on the mid-semester honor roll. Tickets to three Cardinal baseball games were available to the 92 seniors, 48 juniors, 52 sophomores, and 57 freshmen who had 3.5 or above. Those with an average of 4.0 or above are the following:

Seniors: 5.0 - Christine Reimler; 4.8 - Carol Boyd; 4.6 - Sue Mizera, Ellen Rosenau, Pam Gronemeyer; 4.5 - Debra Stephens, Jean Caldwell, Robert Dingwall, Janyce Dunn, Caryn Hasselbring, Stephen Krieh, Mary Zemenick; 4.4 - Beverly Kocot, Pam Paffett, Susan Sanders; 4.3 - Joyce Edinger, John Day, Craig George; 4.2 - Joan Brune, Charlotte Coble, Lynn Niemeyer, Mary Bante, Janice Brauns, Terry Piskos, Shirley Smith; 4.1 - Peter Bailey, Carolyn Hess; 4.0 - Carol Asher, Virginia Bicket, John Careklas, Susan Deter, Robert Fontinelle, Gloria Gaab, Linda

Gelner, Donna Grouse, Leslie Noakes, Lois Pastori, Janet Riemann, Rowley Warner, Louise Wiedermann.

Juniors: 4.8 - Charles Standridge; 4.6 - Stewart Smiley, Linda Wilcoxon; 4.5 - David Jung; 4.4 - Barry Adams, Alexander Karagiannis; 4.3 - David Diuguid, Darrell Hogshead; 4.2 - Anna Caltagirone, Jeffery Boyher, David Bruenger, Irvine Crosby, Michael Quinn, Donald Speck; 4.0 - Barbara Bratton, Ronald Hodge, Kathy Rainer, Terry Shapiro, Carmeline Ternullo, Diane Walleman.

Sophomores: 4.8 - Martha Renner; 4.6 - Cathy Scully; 4.5 - Susan Baylard; 4.4 - Gary Erhart, Steven Rakel, Mark Wunsch; 4.3 - Sydney Stiebel, Glenda Walter; 4.2 - Nathalie Aksentijevic, Tim Decker, Richard Shanks, Lavatryce Singfield, Linda Tune, Rebecca Vuch; 4.1 - Marie Caras, Karen O'Rourke; 4.0 - Brenda Brooks, John Baltzer, Nancy Goebel, Steven Greiner, Denise Koehr, Toni Manzo, Linda Psaris.

Freshmen: 5.0 - Juan Escobar; 4.8 - Dennis Gelner; 4.6 - Jill Brandenburger, Richard Daut, Stephen Crusius, Kathy Williams; 4.5 - Amy Saussele; 4.4 - Amy Barrow, Constance Duever, Susan Kinast, Deborah Witt, Stanley Fujarski, Chris Pashos, Patricia Virtue; 4.3 - Emile Dierking; 4.2 - John Dubis, David Fairris, James Fujarski, Glenn Weidler, Jerilyn Smith, Annette Berra, Ellen Erk, Michael Frisch, Carolyn Howard, Louis Miksicsek, Janet Millman; 4.1 - Barbara Weinhold; 4.0 - Kathleen Cannito, Susanne Henderson, Donald Pfleger, Diane Swallow, Mary Thomas, Christopher Todd.

Drug Addiction Heads Discussion

By Linda Brooks
Pioneer Co-editor

The problem of drug abuse was highlighted April 20 by two guest speakers. The two speakers, former drug addicts themselves, were from Archway House, a non-profit organization set up to aid addicts to kick the drug habit. They were invited by Mr. Robert Byrne to speak to the Contemporary Problems Discussion Group in the 1st floor teachers' lounge.

Questions under discussion included:

Is marijuana addictive? The young lady (names will be withheld to protect these individuals' privacy) answered, "Not physically, but psychologically, yes. It is easy to rationalize, 'I've tried it this far and I'm still okay' and go on to harder stuff. Out of the 50 brothers and sisters at Archway House about 48 started out on marijuana." Statistics from the National Institute of Mental Health claim 80% of the hard users started out on marijuana.

She started out on marijuana herself. After a ride to New Orleans she was exhausted, depressed, and had just come down off a trip. To stay awake she started using amphetamines. The amphetamines eventually led to heroin. At one time she had acquired a heroin habit of \$100 a day.

Is it the parents' fault their children turn to drugs? Both agreed that few turn to drugs, at least consciously, because of problems at home. "They're curious, try it, but there is a reason why some like it and keep on, while others can try it

once and quit. Potential drug addicts have problems so deep rooted that they might not be aware of them. Once they're high on dope they feel they could do anything, be anything. Without drugs it's face it or else."

Neither of the two felt it was trouble with their parents which led them to drugs. The boy came from a middle class family of southern background. The girl came from a lower middle class family with six brothers and sisters. Because her family underwent great economic hardships when she was a child, she feels she suffered from feelings of inferiority and insecurity.

"I thought that love would be the answer to all my problems. It wasn't, though. Instead of love being beautiful like you always hear about it, all love was was hurt." She married at 13, and now has two children, one by her first marriage and another by her common law husband.

Both admitted that they had great difficulty in facing realities and dealing with problems. Drugs provided an escape world. *Should marijuana be legalized?*

After just kicking the habit themselves, they did not appear amenable to the suggestion that drugs be made more accessible, especially when it is fairly easy to get them virtually anywhere now.

It was easy, she said, to acquire illegal drugs by

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Pioneer Calendar

May
9 - Hillbilly Hoedown
7:00 - New Boy's Gym
11 - Harvard Book Committee meeting
7:30 - Long District Parent Congress Meeting
15 - May Musical
19 - 7:30 PTA Meeting
22 - SC Elections
Pom Pon Tryouts
23 - Field Day
27 - G.A.A. Dinner at Gethsemane Lutheran Church

26, 27, 28 - Senior Exams
30 - Senior Prom
June
2 - Rehearsal for graduation period two
3 - Rehearsal for graduation periods six and seven
4 - Scholar-Athlete Dinner at Hope Lutheran Church
5 - Senior Class Day, double aud, Roundup, caps and gowns given



Helping Hands

Mr. Steve Techner and students contribute to the spirit of "Earth Day," April 22, by picking up trash on Arsenal.

Counselors or Clerks?

What is a counselor? Ridiculous question, you might say. But think again. Does a counselor actually *counsel* students to meet their individual needs, as the name implies? Or has he become merely a clerk, preoccupied with clearing the "red tape" of school regulations?

Unfortunately, in recent years counselors have been forced to minimize their personal interest in students to accommodate a larger student body. Having to focus their attention on essential matters such as programming, class cuts, etc., they are often unable to give full attention to their students' problems. This situation is extremely unfortunate, since the growing impersonalization of school life has led many students to alienate themselves from those who could help them most.

Equally unfortunate is the popular misconception that counselors are virtually inaccessible. Few students realize that they can have their counselor summon them merely by leaving a note on their desk or in their mailbox. Therefore, although the student himself has a limited capacity to see his counselor, he can arrange for his *counselor* to send for him.

What can be done to give counselors more time for their students and students more time for their counselors? A larger staff of counselors or more clerical help for counselors could help give them more time for students. Allowing students to go to their counselors during advisory would make them more accessible.

For those who argue that the school system cannot afford to hire more counselors, PIONEER argues that it cannot afford *not* to furnish its pupils with more individual attention. The adjustments needed to make counselors more accessible to students would also be worthwhile. After all, what is the purpose of a guidance office if counselors and students are either too busy or unable to use it?

Unsung Heroes Praised

Recently, SW was defeated in the Grand Championship Scholar Quiz match and thus, for the second year in a row, placed second out of 48 schools representative of the greater metropolitan St. Louis area. This is a tremendous record and obviously there are many reasons for SW's success.

Firstly, SW possesses a well-rounded, dedicated faculty who, throughout the four years, prepared each student as best they could in all fields. Secondly, SW provides such a varied curriculum that some students in their senior year are allowed to take subjects equivalent to the college freshman level of advancement. But there is still another element which seldom receives its due credit and yet is vital to SW's Scholar Quiz success.

At every match, SW had a greater turn-out of students, teachers, parents, brothers, sisters, relatives, etc. than any other participating school. Parker Wheatley, KMOX-TV's executive director, many times commented not only on SW's large audiences but also the vivacity and enthusiasm they had for the team.

The audience not only provided hearty cheers for right answers but was sympathetic and understanding when the team answered incorrectly.

Even at the last match when Pattonville led SW by over 100 points, the audience was still there backing up the team, never giving up. At the end, too, they were just as proud of the team as if SW had won.

Therefore, PIONEER wishes to commend all audience participants who comprised SW's Scholar Quiz cheerleading squad for its attendance interest and enthusiasm

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Apathy Hinders SC's Functions

By Linda Gelnor
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Students generally feel that while Student Council has the potential to "represent all of the student body" and to "be the mouthpiece of the students, reflecting their opinions and considering their suggestions," it is hindered by apathy from the student body and some of the SC representatives.

This conclusion was drawn from a survey conducted by PIONEER recently to determine how much students know about Student Council, what they expect a SC to do, and how much they really care what the Council does or could do with the proper support. The survey was given to several advisories selected at random from each class and distributed among a portion of the student body.

One of the findings of the survey was that students, with the exception of one-time SC representatives and alternates, know nothing of the workings and the power of the Council. Some had ideas about what a Student Council should do—represent the students, being a small-scale House of Representatives through which students could voice their opinions. However, about two-thirds of the students questioned said that their SC rep did not truly represent their advisories.

The basis for many students' replies lies in the lack of communication between an advisory group and their rep. When asked how many committees their rep was on or how active they thought their rep was, most students could not answer. How do they know if their rep even attends SC meetings unless they know about his activities while he is there?

The lack of communication between students and the person who represents them on the Council was cited as the main cause of problems and many students expressed a desire for greater cooperation between the

two. Some admit they don't care about being represented on the Council, but it is inexcusable for those who do care to be satisfied with things as they are.

Likewise, very few knew how their rep voted on issues before the Council. For example, on the question of whether or not a girl should be allowed to run for SC president, the general feeling in practically all of the advisories was that girls should be allowed to run. The proposal was rejected when it came up in the Council, however. Perhaps, if some reps knew how their advisories felt, they could vote accordingly.

To correct the present situation, advisories must first of all conscientiously elect a responsible representative. It was indicated in the survey that all too often elections for advisory reps become popularity contests. Second, it is important to keep supporting the rep throughout the year and to find out if he is doing a satisfactory job representing the advisory in the Council. Students should demand weekly reports, find out how their rep votes on SC issues, and see that their suggestions are submitted to the Council. If the rep is not living up to the standards the advisory sets for him, he should be taken out of office.

Since each rep must answer to his own advisory, it is the students themselves who determine how effectively Student Council will function. The Council will be active only if the reps work hard and will be powerful only if the students give it their support.

The consensus of the students is that SC reps do not give regular reports on SC activities to their advisories. This may account for the students' ignorance of the workings of the Council. In many cases, students blamed their rude and apathetic advisories for making it difficult for reps to give reports.

The problem lies with both reps and advisories. It is a vicious circle. Advisories are restless during SC reports because they know little about Student Council, and hence they cease to care about SC issues and reports. They then refuse to listen to any SC reports at all. The rep becomes discouraged and stops trying to inform the advisory of SC activities.

Although most students complained strongly that their reps failed in their duty to report back to the advisory, only a few had reprimanded their rep or taken him out of office. When asked if they would consider taking such action, only a slight majority of the students questioned said that they would. It seems that more students would be willing to remove a rep from office if he wasn't doing his job to the advisory's satisfaction.

Adios Amigos!

"Colorful, exciting, new Mexico" (as all the latest travel folders will tell you) is the destination of 22 SW Spanish students this summer. The tour, June 28 through July 15, will be sponsored by Miss Sharon Culli and Miss Jean DeGrand, Spanish teachers.

The trip will be highlighted by stops at Mexico City, the capital of Mexico; Guadalajara, Monterey, and industrial city; Taxco, silver mining center; and Patizcuaro, a small fishing village noted for its huge fishing nets. The students and seven adults will travel by Greyhound bus.

Only Spanish will be spoken on the trip. "It'll help build up confidence in speaking the language," said Miss Culli. She feels the cost of \$300, including room, board and traveling expenses, is very reasonable.

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor,

I am writing this letter concerning the review of '70 Shenanigans in your recent publication which contained a great amount of injustice and fallacy. The writer of this article wrote on opinion more than on facts. For example, the article said that few acts tried out and that students were not given enough notice about try-outs. This is definitely not true. I attended all of the try-outs and there were more than 40 acts that tried-out. As for letting the students know about try-out dates, our advisor announced them during the latter part of February and repeatedly during the month of March.

Another most inaccurate statement concerned the lack of transition between the acts and the introductory skits. Any

person who was awake during the show could have plainly seen that these skits fit in perfectly with the theme.

I feel that the senior class, as well as the school, faculty and administrators, is due a public apology for this article of misguided facts. If I were the editor, I would fire the person who wrote this article and I would have a senior write reviews on the different senior activities because he would give credit where it is due instead of this underclassman who wrote this article and does not care about the reputation of this or any senior class.

Last but not least, this misinformed person adds "These criticisms are not major or extended faults. The audience

seemed to enjoy the show, and after all, that is what constitutes a success." Now, after this person has killed the show and it has been buried in its grave, he or she comes back to patch it up with a disgusting statement like this.

A Very, Very Disappointed and Upset Student At Southwest

Editors Note — PIONEER wishes to apologize to anyone who found the '70 Shenanigans review offensive. Any criticism or suggestions were meant to be constructive and were not intended as personal affronts to anyone connected with the show. PIONEER does regret that the reviewer's name was not given in the article. The reviewer was Senior Linda Brooks, PIONEER co-editor.

Hillbillies Visit SW

May 9, SC will move the Ozarks up north to SW so's they can hold their annual spring dance from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. For only \$.75 you can come to the "hillbilly Hoedown" and listen to the jug band music of the Apostles.

Booths will be set up in the new gyms and the lobby. A variety of ideas for booths were turned in to SC. The Audio Visual club will feature a light show, plus a booth called the "pot o' gold." This game will cost \$.25, but a winner will receive a prize of \$5.00.

Three advisories are setting up booths for the dance. Mr. Haun's advisory will sponsor a general store, all the proceeds going to the March of Dimes. A coke bottle ring toss was the idea of Mrs. Lynn's advisory. The money they receive will go to ALSAC. Trying to throw a football through a swinging wheel may win you a stuffed animal at Mrs. Lampros' advisory's booth.

Many clubs will be represented at the dance. FTA, sponsored by Miss C. Lewis, will offer a dart

board game. The Lettermen's Club will have a hockey game supervised by Mr. Murdock. GAA will have a game booth under the supervision of Mrs. Perkins, and the French Club will sell candied apples for 15c apiece. Their sponsor is Miss Henshaw.

PIONEER will have a fishing booth where the chances are 15c apiece or 3 for a quarter.

Mr. Gower is sponsoring a basketball game booth with many prizes.

The cheerleaders, under Mrs. Davies, will have a jail. You can put a person in for as many minutes as you pay for, but he has to pay a certain amount for the number of minutes he has stayed in before he can get out.

The most popular booth will probably be the one sponsored by Senior A. It will be a dart game, but an unusual one. For only a small amount, a person will be able to throw darts at a blown up picture of either Mr. Al Ecker or Mr. Gene Gladstone.

Today tags will be sold in advisory. Don't forget the dance tomorrow night — Be there!

Lancers Observe SW

SW and LHSS Exchange

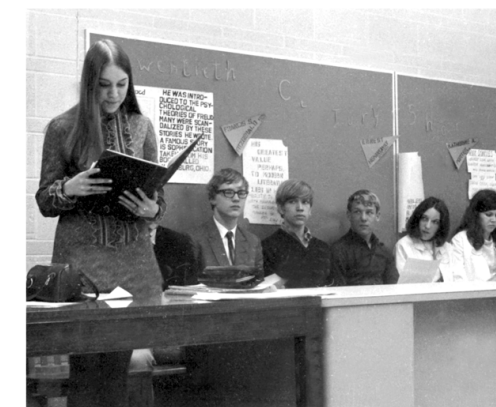
One more step toward unity among schools was taken when students from SW attended Lutheran High School South on April 13. Seniors Cyndi Compton and Joyce Meckfessel; Juniors Judy Chiodini, Cindy Singfield, Debbie Renick, and Steve Newton; and Sophomores Louise Mayo and Steve Tschannen were guided through Lutheran South by students who showed them their typical school day.

Cyndi noted that one difference between the schools was the fact that students pay forty cents for an entire meal at LHSS as opposed to the lunch check method of payment here.

Lutheran South has no study halls, and if a student cuts a class, his debt to society is paid by washing the walls after school. Debbie Renick observed that the school was very clean. "The floors were polished and the cafeteria was spotless before and after lunch."

Another difference was the home rooms. Lutheran South students simply use the same room for both first period classes and advisories.

There are two representatives from each advisory. Each week one advisory sends its representatives to the principal to explain the students' feelings and ideas. Every advisory gets a chance to talk with the principal.



Exchange students visiting SW from Lutheran High School South listen to SC Secretary Joyce Meckfessel as she gives her report during a meeting of the council.

True to the ideas of fair exchange, SW hosted eight Lutheran South Lancers on April 15. Eight SW seniors accompanied the visitors to their classes to show them how a SW day goes. One student from Lutheran South commented, "You offer a lot more courses than we do. I guess that's because we have a smaller school."

Lutheran South has approximately one fourth the number of students that SW has. Despite differences between the schools, the students got along well and the same comment came from students at both schools.

"The kids are so nice and friendly. They really tried to make us feel at home."

SQ Playoffs Ended

SW's Scholar Quiz team fell to a very strong Pattonville team, 270 - 178, in the Grand Final match on April 25. Pattonville jumped to an early lead and SW was never able to catch up, although the team started a comeback near the end of the contest.

Competing on Pattonville's team was Dan Meyers, a SW student during his freshman and sophomore years. He was the only junior to compete on the

team.

The record compiled by Pam Gronemeyer, John Careklas, Lynn Niemeyer, and John Day includes victories over the Academy of the Sacred Heart, Mehlville, McCluer, CBC, and Augustinian Academy. Losing to Pattonville placed SW second out of the 48 schools participating in the program throughout the year. However, they still hold the title of Semester Champions, also won by last year's SW team.

News Shorts

Book Winner To Be Chosen

Dave Bruenger, Dave Diuguid, Dave Jung, Alex Karragianis, and Charles Standridge are candidates for this year's Harvard Book Award. The recipient of the award will be chosen at a meeting on May 11.

Law Day Observed Here

On May 1, period 2 social studies students attended a special Law Day Aud. They heard Mr. Frank Vigas, an attorney, speak on the topic of legal problems in society and why the present legal system is under attack.

Roundup Editors Selected

Joy Kelling and Kathy Rainer have been selected as next year's Roundup co-editors by Miss Cam Ayres, yearbook sponsor. Both Joy and Kathy have been on the staff for one year. Joy is a member of Concert Choir and both girls are members of GAA.

Kathy and Joy were selected from a group of juniors who worked on the staff on the basis of their ability in journalism and excellent work this year.

Reflections Book To Sell

For the first time on May 15, *Reflections*, SW's literary magazine will be put on sale for \$.25. The book's sponsor, Miss Lewis, English department chairman, chose the staff from the best English students of all terms.

The book will consist of poetry and prose written by SW students from all English classes selected by the *Reflections* staff.

Baroque to Broadway Theme

SW's 23rd Annual Spring Festival will be held in the SW auditorium on Friday, May 15. The show, the theme of which is "From Baroque to Broadway," will include the orchestra playing "Trumpet Tune" by Purcell and a "Concerto Grosso" by Vivaldi. Miss Lee Meyer's 4th and 6th period mixed choruses will sing selections from *Oliver*, *Fiddler On The Roof*, and *Promises, Promises*. Louis LaBaube will a solo, "I'll never fall in love."

The festival is a showcase for all music groups at SW. Girls Glee, under the direction of Mr. Libero Monachesi, will sing "A Patriotic Medley," "Let There Be Peace," and "Prayer for our Country."

Boys Glee will sing "Crusaders' Hymn" and George M. Cohen's "Yankee Doodle Dandy." The intermediate choir will sing "All in April Evening," and "A Time For Us" from *Romeo and Juliet*, and Concert Choir will sing "Jubilant Song," by Dello Joio, and "Man of La Mancha" including "Impossible Dream." Mr. Robert Nordman's Concert Band will play "Trail Scene" by Clifton Williams. The Madrigals and Early Risers will also perform.

Southwest's popular stage band will be featured with a series of current hits in the big band style.

There will be many vocal and instrumental solos in the show this year. Dave Bruenger will

play a trombone solo and Louis Foulk will play an organ solo. Vocal solos will be sung by

Homer Robinson, "Raindrops Keep Falling On My Head," and

Karen Moore, "Don't Rain On My Parade." Delana Thomsen will play a piano solo by Schubert called "Impromptu," and Bob Kilzer will sing "The Man," a folk rock song. A trio composed of Betty Brauning, Sue Abdullah, and Mary Westermeyer and a duet by Ron Fehr and Mary Bante will round out the program.

The closing number of the show will be done by the band and combined choruses.



Queen Candidates from left to right: Patti Blake, Julie Otto, Janet Rieman, Michelle Moroni, Chris Nuelle. King Candidates are: David Moore, Bruce Vierheller, Mark Ballwin, and John Bauer. Mike Espy, the fifth King candidate, is not shown.

PROMinent People

The Bum Steer

Acne Attacks All

By Patty Whitby
Assistant Feature Editor

"Worst lookin' case of Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever I've seen in a long time!"

"You must've been repeatedly stung by a swarm of giant bumble bees."

"Gad!! You look like a warty pickle!"

"Were you attacked by a ravenous, but near-sighted vampire?"

How many times has someone walked up to you and made one of the above comments? Thousands of times, I'm sure. People seem to delight in calling attention to someone else's "oh no's," otherwise known as acne.

Acne, itself, shows mercy to none and is completely unprejudiced. It pops up on anyone, regardless of race, creed, or place of national origin.

The sad part of the whole thing is that there is almost no way of stopping it. Of course, manufacturers claim that they

have come up with pills and creams to combat this "lumbago of the bubble gum set." I am convinced, however, that these pills that supposedly "help" your acne are, in reality, chocolate pills. Boy, will that every help your acne!!! And did you ever notice that the young people who pose in these same acne ads have a complexion only a spotty face could love? These people are obviously from a select group who live on nothing but carrots and orange juice.

No matter how hopeless their plight, teens are still trying to ward off this "fickle fungus." A new group has now been established. Whenever you feel the urge to eat a chocolate candy bar or a potato chip, call them. Day or night, they will come faithfully and pry it out of your hand before it can get under your skin.

Audience Jury in Play

SW's seniors pooled their dramatic talents to present a courtroom comedy-drama, *The Night of January 16th*. The play ran April 23-24.

The play, written by Ayn Rand, later edited by Nathaniel Edward Reid, was directed by Mr. Robert Lewis, and starred Jan Montani as Karen Andre, defendant accused of murdering her lover, Bjorn Faulkner. Reynaldo Anthony served as defense attorney Stephens and Brice Shearburn acted as prosecuting attorney Flint.

The construction of the play is somewhat unique in that there is

a high degree of audience participation. The audience is not an audience in the conventional sense; it is the crowd of observers in the "courtroom." Hence, the witnesses are called or burst onto the stage from the audience. The jury, which actually does try the case, is picked from the audience. The jury adjourns to find the defendant guilty or innocent; two endings are memorized to fit the verdict. It was interesting to note that the verdict was not guilty Thursday, but guilty Friday night.



"Where were you
The Night of January 16th?"

Photos by John Dengler

Verdict varies with just juries.



Young: Young in Outlook

Most students have a rather hazy and confused idea of who and what their high school principal is. They feel as if he is some sort of preying monster who hides in dark hallways waiting to pounce upon helpless students or is someone who delights in expelling anyone who steps out of line.

This, however, is not true. In spite of the awe and aura of mysticism which surrounds the office of principal, the head of any school is a PERSON, a human being just like anyone else.

This is certainly true of SW's principal, Mr. Robert M. Young. The only impression most students at SW have of Mr. Young is the one they can glean from hearing his voice during the morning announcements.

But Mr. Young is human like the rest of us, principal or not. He was born 62 years ago in Rich Hill, Kansas, a small rural community about 75 miles south of Kansas City, on the Missouri-Kansas border. Of this background, Mr. Young likes to joke, "Knowing that many great men of history are born in small towns, I persuaded my mother to take me to one to be born." The credibility of this is debatable, but Principal Young has made a success of his life, whatever the effect of his beginnings.

He has always lived in St. Louis and attended the St. Louis public schools. He is also an alumnus of Washington University. His education at Washington U. was made possible by a four year, all-expense paid scholarship.

Originally, he had plans of becoming a minister or lawyer, but by his sophomore year Mr. Young had been so inspired by a



political science professor he had, that he decided to become a teacher.

Upon graduation, he taught political science at Washington U. for several years before coming to SW at its opening in 1937. At SW he taught history and Latin and served as baseball coach for a number of years before he decided to go into administrative work. For a period of ten years he served as assistant principal at Roosevelt, Soldan, and Beaumont. Mr. Young returned to SW as principal in 1955 and has held the position longer than anyone else. According to his belief that "a person should keep busy," he plans to continue in his present duties as long as possible.

Mr. Young came back to SW as principal with several basic guiding theories in mind. One of these is "freedom without anarchy" in the school. He believes students should be granted all feasible privileges and freedoms in keeping with their ability to display merit of those

privileges and freedoms. For example, it once was the policy for students to sit in assigned seats in the auditorium and cafeteria. It was Mr. Young who undertook to have that policy reversed. More recently, the institution of the smoking lounge and free study also reflect his desire to grant privileges when they are deserved and when the students are responsible enough to handle them. Mr. Young also believes that "students should not be forced roughly but should be taught self-reliance and control." He also believes strongly in a democratic society and in the worth of the individual.

It is Mr. Young's policy to try to inspire pride in SW and, in his words, "Keep SW as it always has been: the best in St. Louis."

So, Principal Young is not a monster or the mere personification of a voice, but is, in fact, responsive to and aware of the students and what is best for them and the school.

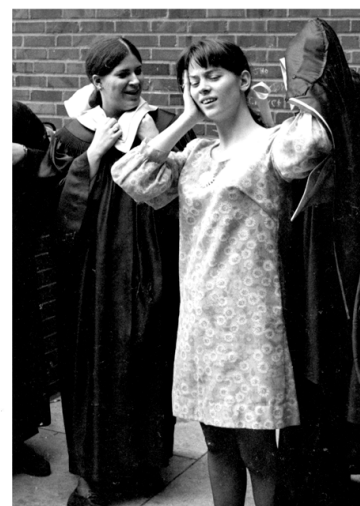


Poster painters prepare for "Hillbilly Hoedown."

Spring Projects Spur Interest

Like every other season, Spring is a busy one for SW'ers. Here, the cure for Spring Fever is such activities as the Senior Play, the Choir-Band Concert and the Hillbilly Hoedown.

Past and coming events demand time, effort and team work and always bring success, if only for the participants. These scenes are familiar to performers and workers who give of their time to make these plans materialize.



Choir members cool off
after warm performance.

Decker Attends Local Conference

One of the all-important bases of our society today is our system of education, often a subject of great controversy and an institution open to attack from many sides. Recently, a group of educators, laymen and students gathered at the St. Louis-St. Louis County White House Conference on Education to discuss this very issue.

As President of SW's Future Teachers of America, Senior Dan Decker was one of 800 in the area chosen to serve as a delegate to the meeting. The subject of the bi-annual conference was "New Dimensions of Teaching". Held April 23 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Sheraton-Jefferson Hotel, the conference focused its attention on "the fundamental element in the educational enterprise the teacher."

Their purpose was "to improve the quality of education by focusing attention upon and seeking solutions to current educational problems." In effect the members of the conference were trying to establish workable theories that would be sound and practicable on the large scale of a metropolitan system such as that of St. Louis-St. Louis County.

The morning session consisted of two films on present and future educational processes; the first dealing with the problem of the inner-city school, the second with the possibilities of the school of the future. Included in this "Remarkable Schoolhouse" of tomorrow (a CBS film of the Twenty-First Century series) were machinery playing a major role in instruction, and the 'total environment' classroom where

the whole school and classroom are compounded into a single structure; all of the school facilities are under one roof. Though the idea is theoretically sound, Dan points out that "The students would have to be so completely self-disciplined at such an early age, that the idea would be difficult to practice."

The afternoon program was devoted to round table discussion.

Each group consisted of a broad cross-section of laymen and teachers; the total 80% laymen including businessmen, housewives, former teachers and office workers, district superintendents; and about 20% were professional educators, including superintendents, professors and administrators. As a representative of SW, Dan was one of about 25 students present. The meeting was an opportunity for the laymen to become more familiar with education people and, as Dan stated, "a chance to get the community working in behalf of education."

The general feeling among the professional people seems to be that "... St. Louis is much in need of rejuvenation in its teacher training, classroom techniques, experimental practices and development," he stated, reflecting the overall sentiment of the conference and the possibility for its practical effects in the immediate area.

As a result of the conferences the delegates were asked to vote by ballot on recommendations and proposed changes to be sent to the White House and the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Clubs Clean Up On Cars

In city organizations, seemingly every problem of finding money is solved with that universal project — The Bond Issue. High school clubs have an equally universal solution — The Car Wash. No high school life is complete without participation in at least one of these wet, soapy scrub-fests, where, believe it or not, some income is really made.

These projects are not as simple as they may seem to the non-club member. Though they might not appear so, some organization and planning do go into them. The process is something like this:

Club meeting. Treasurer: "Well, if we want to buy that chrome-plated bowling ball (or go on that field trip to Shaw's Garden, or make enough to finance a Coke and Cake Sale, or any equally important cause, depending on the club) we're going to have to make some money."

Then, invariably, some member (either the real go-getter who doesn't realize what he's saying or the wall-flower who doesn't know any better) suggests a car wash — this with such gusto and optimism that no one dares consider it fallible.

Naturally, as it always has been and always shall be, a committee is formed with, as its chairman, the poor, unsuspecting, well-meaning soul who initiated the brilliant plan. Only now does he begin to fully realize what he has said and wanders home, blankly uttering the same words as so many others who have gone before, "Me and my big mouth."

But having already utilized that organ (often times with the



addition of the foot into it), the brave chairman plunges dauntlessly ahead through reams of red tape, details, arrangements, signatures, checks, double-checks and phone calls, through to the golden victory of "It's all set! We'll have the car wash next Saturday!" (Are those tears of relief or pride in his eyes?) Without fail, the reply comes either "What car wash?" or "You're kidding!! I can't possibly come next Saturday!"

Following the revival of the fainting chairman and the deluge of suggestions which he has to face courageously alone (whatever happened to the rest of the committee?), the miracle is rendered and finally a satisfactory date is settled upon; satisfactory to everyone, that is, except the chairman who is faced with a rerun of the previous process of arrangements. This news he takes like a trooper and, unless he's an exceptionally bright or

frightened human being, immediately resigns.

But, the car wash must go on and, wonder of wonders, 163 revisions, 2 sponsors, 347 station attendants, and 28 miles of rags later, it does! The books for the day should look something like this:

EXPENSES

Soap	\$10.49
Rags	32.59
Snacks	7.98
Advertising	38.80
	\$89.86

PROFITS

1 St. Bernard	\$ 5.00
1 Bus	5.00
12 Cars	16.00
Donations	10.59
2 Camper Trucks	10.00
1 Small Pony (Hoof Polish)	5.00
3 Trucks	21.00
1 Statue	3.00
Windows of Station	5.00
1 Troop Cub Scouts	10.00
(rinsed off after campout)	

\$90.59

Everyone has had a ball and the 56c needed to buy the gold-plated, miniature longhorns for a gift to the gym office has been made, with the wide margin of 17c (which will, no doubt, be squandered ruthlessly by the club on some equally magnanimous occasion).

It must be admitted — through some quirk of fate (or favor from a greater force) and series of apparent mishaps, the curious phenomenon becomes an even more curious success to the everlasting astonishment of the chairman himself. Thus, the institution of The Car Wash shall remain the backbone and driving force of many a soaked and sudsy club.

Drug Abuse

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prescription. "A doctor is human, just like you. You go in, complain about a pain in your stomach or your head, and cry on his shoulder. Most of the time you can get a prescription for morphine, cocaine, laudanum, amphetamines, or barbiturates. I used to do that, go around town and hit up all the doctors."

What were some of your experiences as an addict? "There is no one as misused as a girl junkie. Once I gave a guy the money for some drugs, he ran out with the money — after beating me." In order to support their habits both had resorted to illegal means. As a result both have been in and out of jail for a period of several years. The young woman had forged car licenses for stolen cars, engaged in prostitution — in short, anything to get the money to buy drugs.

The boy commented on the permanent damage done to his own body. "Here I am, over six feet tall and I only weigh 150 pounds. And I'll never weigh any more than that." Both admitted that the veins in their arms and legs had collapsed after constant injections; that they had suffered acute paranoia and hallucinations.

What made you decide to kick the habit? She answered that she had been arrested for forging car licenses, and was to be held for trial. "That's a dope fiend's

nightmare — to be held in jail without drugs. They don't help you with withdrawal, either." Her lawyer was able to postpone the trial long enough for her to have a chance at withdrawing on her own. She was fed up with the "drug scene" and didn't want to face a long confinement in jail while withdrawing.

The immediate motivation for both to kick the habit stemmed from fear of spending a long term period in jail where drugs were not available.

What is the machinery of Archway House? Archway House is loosely affiliated with City Hospital, although it does not use constantly lowered doses of synthetic drugs as a means to breaking a dependence on drugs. Anyone is allowed to come to Archway House as long as he is not a user or possessor of drugs. One must also undergo an interview in the Prospect Chair, to prove one is being honest with the "brothers and sisters"

The members are expected to work, partially to keep them from self-pity. However, since it is possible to die from drug withdrawal attention and medication is provided, if needed. Groups of the members talk drug urges out with others. The infraction of any rules can result in a head shave — standard Archway discipline measure.

Visitors are welcome to tour Archway House at 5650 Pershing.

Worldwide Hoosiers Recognized

What is a hoosier?

A Hoosier is —

— Someone who tries to kill himself by taking an overdose of Vicks Vaporub.

— Someone who thinks an elephant is a bloated pig with a nose job.

— Someone who wakes up dead.

— Someone who thinks the infancy is a place you keep babies.

— Someone who thinks Mao Tse Tung is the little thing that smart alek mousies stick out at cats.

— Someone who tries to hang himself from a suspended ceiling.

— Someone who goes to the Santa Barbara sea shore for a vacation.

— Someone who sits next to you on the bus and throws up.

— Someone who throws himself in front of a subway during a transit strike.



— Someone who thinks the Plastic Ono Band is the kind of wedding ring that cheapo John Lennon bought for his new wife.



— Someone who thinks LSD is a kind of luxury car.

— Someone who thinks a protest march is what the band plays at halftime.

— Someone who thinks Easy Rider is about a boy and his plow horse.

— Someone who thinks They Shoot Horses Don't They? is the story of the great hoof and mouth plague which spread across Iowa in 1836.

— Someone who tries to letter in darts, jai-lai, or badminton.

— Someone who thinks an obscenity seminar is the same thing as an orgy.

— Someone whose idea of a big Saturday night is going down to the pool hall and watching the local greasers make sparks fly off the taps on their motorcycle boots.

— Someone who thinks a draft dodger is someone who catches

cold easily and has to stay out of windy halls.

— Someone whose idea of a real fun party is playing a hot game of canasta.

— Someone who lets his sideburns grow all the way down his arms.

— Someone who uses so much hair oil that he becomes walking flypaper.

— Someone who thinks that the more zippers a guy has on his jacket the cooler he is.



— Someone who rides through the park on Saturday night shining his lights on all the parked cars.

— Someone who can't understand why there aren't any people in those same parked cars!

— Someone who goes into a store and asks to see a pair of open-toed saddle shoes and a zoot-suit.

Ten 70-71 Cheerleaders Elected



Cheers!

Southwest's newly elected cheerleaders in formation: (top center left and right) Karen Wichmann, Jan Reineke, (from left to right) Sue Baylard, Diane Dendrenelis, JoAnn Debbie Wheelahan, Vicki Trout, Kris Keaton, Cathy Scully and Patsy Carter.

After much "wishin' and hopin'" and weeks of practice, ten new varsity cheerleaders were picked by the student body in a double aud on April 27.

The 1970-71 squad will consist of six juniors and four seniors. Since eight of the girls have been cheerleaders this past year, the group should be experienced enough to perform well together and succeed in producing a spirited crowd.

Chosen for their second year on the varsity squad are Patsy Carter, Jan Reineke, and Karen Wichmann. Five B-Team cheerleaders advanced to the varsity. They are Sue Baylard, Diane Dendrenelis, JoAnn James, Kris Keaton, and Cathy Scully. The two newest girls are Vicki Trout and Debbie Wheelahan.

Fifteen girls were selected in the preliminary tryouts on April 21. These fifteen exhibited their skills in the double aud, and from this number five were eliminated. Those girls also participating in the final tryout were Helen Fotinas, Marilyn

Jacobi, Linda Range, Liz Martin, and Vicki Wellman.

The senior girls will attend cheerleader camp at the University of Illinois in Normal sometime during June. They will compete every day with other high school cheerleaders for a coveted blue ribbon — a "superior" rating. They will also be given instructions in setting up pep sessions and pom-pom routines.

Co-captain Nancy Curtin warns the new squad about the dangers of dividing into groups. "Be an individual but still work as a unit. Don't ever think that you are better than anyone else; everyone is equal; never think that you're too good to practice. There's no such thing as a perfect cheerleader."

Linda Collins suggests that the girls always remember that they represent the school. "You're always on public display so act in a way that your fellow students will be proud of you. Also, keep in close contact with your sponsor."

7-7-1 Record

Batmen to Face Riders

SW's varsity baseball team will play Roosevelt in a league game this afternoon at Sublette Park. Tomorrow night at 7:30 the Steers will play Hancock at Heine Meine.

So far the batmen have a league record of 0-2 with an overall record of 7-7-1. The two league losses were to Northwest, 6-3, and McKinley, 6-4.

State competition may postpone some league games during the next two weeks depending upon how far the Longhorns go in State play. They have won their first two games against Augustinian, 7-5, on May 2, and CBC, 7-1, on May 4.

The team batting average of .307 (as of the Augustinian game) is topped by third baseman Jim Laws' .563. Also hitting better than .300 are outfielder Gus Mezinis with .428, outfielder Russ Austen at .395, shortstop Stan Mann at .371, catcher and outfielder Ron Kohring at .350, and catcher Rick Winkler at .333.

With six more games left in the season, the Steers still have a shot at the league championship despite their two losses, Coach Graham claims.

State Berths to Run Tomorrow at O'Fallon

SW's thin clads will compete at the State Outdoor Qualifying Meet tomorrow at O'Fallon Field. It is the first of the four important meets of track season. On the next three Saturdays the State Outdoor Meet, Field Day Meet for PHL title and the District Meet will be held.

In a tri-meet with Northwest and McKinley on April 28, SW came in second behind Northwest. The score was 86-50-18 for the senior division and 74-52-8 for the junior division.

Taking first places were Gary Wood in the mile with a time of 4:44.9 and Bruce Vierheller in the half-mile with a 2:07.1.

Paul Nichols won the high jump with a height of six feet, and Lloyd Lauck's 54 feet in the shot-put was easily the best of the day.

In the junior division John Gross won first place in the 120-yard low hurdles with a time of

15.9 seconds. Bob Solomon's 5:03.3 in the mile and Leon Hite's 18' 10½" in the long jump were also good enough for the number one rankings.

Second places were taken by Bob Hermanson in the high and low hurdles, Lew Dingwall in the two-mile, Rich Leong in the high jump and Mike Quinn in the pole vault.

Finishing third were Doug Reid in the 440- and 220-yard dashes, Randy Faulkner in the 180-yard low hurdles, Paul Sneed in the shot-put, Dave Moore in the pole vault and John Horton in the long jump.

In the League Relays on April 1, SW placed with points out of the ten PHL schools. The only first place was made by the pole vault relay team of Mike Quinn, Dave Moore, Tom Kennedy and Tschannen with a combined height of 38 feet.

SW Wins PHL Opener

SW opened PHL tennis competition against Vashon on April 30 with a 4-1 victory over the Wolverines.

This was a comeback match for the Longhorns, who were seeking to avenge an earlier 2-3 defeat by Vashon on April 9. Several substitutions were initiated in that defeat which could account for the weak showing. Sam Patti reversed positions with John Rehling, taking over third singles while Rehling played second. Rehling lost against the Vashon second singles man. Chuck Schaller followed John down. In doubles, with Jeff Lueken out, Ron Fehr and Mike Ide were to play first doubles.

In a fast huddle with Coach Bob Bechtold, however, it was decided that since Ide was only a substitute, he and Ron should play second doubles and Ken Slavens and Steve Jacques should take over the first doubles position. The reasoning proved faulty, as Ken and Steve fell under the Vashon attack, giving the Wolverines a 3-2 victory.

"We've been surprised by some of these schools and there have been some changes made in the lineup," said Coach Bechtold. Ron Fehr now plays third singles with John Rehling dropping down with Jeff Lueken at first doubles. Mike Baltzer, a sophomore, is Ken Slavens' new partner at second doubles; Dave Ferris and Larry Loveless now occupy the number 8 and 9 spots on the roster.

The McKinley JV fell first, 5-0 against SW on April 22. The Goldbug varsity team went next on April 24, 5-0 as the Longhorns added two wins to their record.

In the District Tournament at Kirkwood on April 28, the Longhorns were eliminated in the first round. This match includes some of the finest players and teams in the state and although they put up a strong showing, the Steers' efforts were in vain.

With an over-all record of 5-3 and a league record of 1-0, the Longhorns will move into the bulk of their league schedule within the next three weeks, with playing dates on May 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, and 28. Their next opponent will be Soldan on May 12.

"This won't be an easy season for us, because some of these schools are stronger than we expected," said Coach Bechtold, "But then, no one else is going to have an easy season either."



Smash!

Sam Patti, Longhorn second singles man, goes back for a point in the SW victory over Vashon.

Sports Calendar

- May 12—Baseball—Sumner at Sublet
- Tennis—Soldan at Dwight Davis Center
- Track—Beaumont at Southwest
- 13—Tennis—Roosevelt at RHS
- 14—Tennis—Sumner at Tandy Community Center
- 15—Baseball—Central at Sublette
- 16—Track—State Outdoor Class L at Columbia
- 19—Baseball—Beaumont at Fairgrounds
- Tennis—McKinley at Dwight Davis Center
- 20—Track—Field Day Prelims at O'Fallon
- 21—Tennis—Beaumont at Sublette
- 22—Tennis—Lindberg at Lindberg
- 23—Track—Field Day finals at O'Fallon
- 26—Tennis—Cleveland at Sublette
- 28—Tennis—Roosevelt at Sublette
- 30—Track—District Meet at FVCC