

Special Price for Operetta

A special ticket costing \$1.50 for Southwest students at the Thursday performance of "Fiddler On The Roof" will be available this year. The operetta will be on December 6, 7, at 8 p.m. in SW auditorium. Regular tickets will cost \$2 in advance and \$2.25 at the door.

The story takes place in 1905 in Anatevka, a small Jewish village in Russia. Tevye, the milkman (senior Mike Kerch), his wife, Golde (junior Molly Watson), and their five daughters, Tzeitel (senior Debbie Timpone), Hodel (senior Debbie Stamm), Chava (junior Bev Pfeifer), Shpritz (senior Paula DiLiberto), Bielke (senior Mary Sherwin) are enjoying their Sabbath dinner.

Motel, the tailor (sophomore Al Volk), hopes to marry Tzeitel. Perchik, a student from Kiev (senior Ned Thurman),

tutors Tevye's daughters. Fyedka, a Russian officer in Anatevka (freshman Mark Grant), falls in love with Chava.

Meanwhile, Yente, the matchmaker (senior Sally Sneed), assists Tevye in matching Tzeitel with the butcher, Lazar Wolf (senior Mark Spravale). After some unusual happenings, Tzeitel finally marries Motel.

Perchik goes to Kiev to join a Communist protest movement. Then, he is arrested and sent to Siberia. Hodel joins him there. Chava renounces the Jewish faith and marries the Catholic, Fyedka.

The play ends on a sad note as we see three daughters leave home and the rest of the family forced to move from Anatevka.

"Fiddler" was written by Joseph Stein and was one of the

longest running plays on Broadway. It includes such popular songs as "Tradition," "Matchmaker," "If I Were A Rich Man," and "Sunrise, Sunset."

Since SW has no orchestra this year, the string section for the band is composed of ten SW students, three SW graduates, and Mr. Joseph Schmidt, instrumental music instructor for elementary schools in the Cleveland-Southwest District.

Scenery crews are working to finish last-minute preparations for Thursday. Senior Anita Worley is this year's stage manager. Costuming is being handled, in part, by sewing classes.

Modern Dance will participate in two scenes this year. Their steps are taken from authentic dances of early twentieth century Russia.

All music choruses participate in the operetta, making a total of about 500 students, plus many faculty members taking part in the production.

Miss Lee Meyer, vocal music director, Mr. Robert Nordman, instrumental music director, Mr. Barnett Sinnen, music teacher, and Mr. Robert Lewis, drama teacher, all feel that more students will come to the operetta because of the special ticket price for Thursday night.

SW To Enforce Tighter Security

The task of keeping unauthorized people from entering the school's premises is proving to be a big problem at Southwest, as it has been at other St. Louis public high schools.

It has always been hard to maintain tight security, but until the recent crimes occurring in public school buildings, it did not seem to be a major problem.

"No school is protected one-hundred percent," Principal Robert M. Young explained, "but if all are concerned about security, we can protect ourselves."

There are fourteen doors at Southwest that lead to the outside world. There are only three security guards. Because it is impossible for the guards to cover every entrance, Principal Young suggests that if any suspicious characters are spotted, they be reported immediately.

At this time the Board of Education is considering several solutions. Hopefully, the measures that are being contemplated will not affect free study or the seniors' open campus privileges.

"If we want to keep these privileges, we all have to work for them," Mr. Young advised.

photo by Brian Grider



MEMBERS OF THE "Fiddler On The Roof" cast rehearse for the operetta which will be performed on December 6, 7, at 8 p.m. in Southwest's auditorium. A special ticket price for Southwest students is offered this year for the Thursday night performance. The price is \$1.50 with a student I.D. card.

photo by Jon Young



MAT MATES HAVE been chosen to cheer at home wrestling meets. They are (first row, from left) juniors Peggy O'Brien, Mary Ann Kavadas, Mariann Branson (second row, from left) Robyn Wilson, senior Lucy Kiesel, and junior Mary Miller.

Mat Mates Cheer Mat Men

Mat Mates is Southwest's first wrestling cheering squad. Girls chosen to be Mat Mates are senior Lucy Keisel, and juniors, Mariann Branson, Mary Ann Kavadas, Mary Miller, Peggy O'Brien, and Robin Wilson.

Mat Mates was formed because basketball, wrestling,

soccer, and swimming are all sports active around the same time. Varsity cheerleaders do not have enough time to attend all the sports regularly.

The girls chosen as Mat Mates were finalist for varsity cheerleading last year and were required to have high recommendations from their teachers. There still might be a few additions to the squad before wrestling season starts, according to cheerleading sponsor Miss Carolyn Seigel.

Mat Mates will attend all the big wrestling contests and probably all the home meets. It is still undecided whether or not they will attend the meets which are held away from school.

"I think it's a good group of girls, and I'm glad to see that they could be cheerleaders in some sort of way," remarked Miss Seigel.

The girls will be active only during the wrestling season and will make their own uniforms.

Spirits To Haunt Spirit Week

Monsters and spirits will descend upon Southwest to help Student Congress kick off Spirit Week to be held December 14-21.

"We picked the theme about monsters because it's hard to keep from repeating yourself," SC Sponsor Pat Meloy stated. "We're trying not to do nostalgia."

The theme of Spirit Week will be introduced in an aud session, Friday, December 14. Also, the rock band Isaiah will perform. The lettermen will play the faculty in the annual Lettermen-Faculty Basketball game that evening.

Sophomore Carla Giles will present a one-woman show in the second Spirit Week aud session on Monday, December 17.

Tuesday, after school, the serf sale, this year renamed the Igor Sale, will take place in the cafeteria. SC reps, lettermen, cheerleaders, and pom pon girls will be auctioned off as slaves for a day.

Wednesday, the "Igor's" will be distinguished by their humped backs. After school, SW's concert band will sponsor a rock concert by Isaiah.

SC Talks with Cafeteria

Cafeteria Manager Mrs. Virginia Morris consulted with Student Congress on November 5 as a result of numerous Student Aid complaints referring to the cafeteria.

Students complained that the food was cold and wasn't available during D-lunch. Mrs. Morris explained that the students should specifically ask for food during D-lunch because it is put away to keep it from getting cold.

Another complaint concerned the prices in the cafeteria. Students are charged more for some commercially-packaged products than what is marked on the package. Mrs. Morris told SC

Again this year, SC is sponsoring the Student-Administration-Faculty Exchange Day. Thursday evening, Southwest will play Maplewood for our basketball homecoming.

The finale will be Friday. SC will introduce the class kings and queens. If you think the guy who sits next to you in class is ugly now, just wait until he's dressed up for Dress Ugly Day, also taking place on Friday.

Stockings To Be Filled by Students

Southwest has been asked again to participate in the annual Red Cross Christmas stocking drive.

The goal for the entire St. Louis area is 5000 stockings. These will go to over 40 institutions and agencies for both young and old.

Mrs. Susan Paul, home economics teacher, is in charge of distribution of the stockings at SW. She anticipates that about 200 stockings will be filled through advisories by SW students.

that the Board of Education is responsible for setting the prices.

Some students complained about what they termed the bad attitude of the cafeteria workers. Mrs. Morris felt that the reason for this was a result of the students attitude toward the workers.

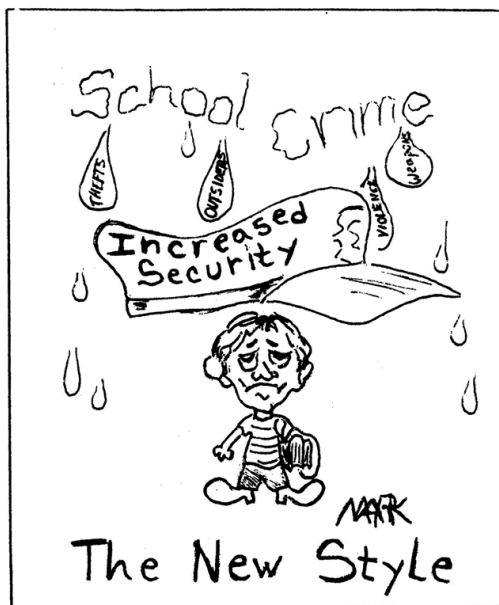
Complaints about cleanliness were also made. Mrs. Morris stated that students must cooperate to keep the cafeteria clean.

If SC representatives talk to their advisories about cooperating in the cafeteria, Mrs. Morris said, she would talk to the cafeteria workers about their attitude toward the students.

What's Happening

December

- 1 S.A.T. Test
- 6,7 Operetta, "Fiddler on the Roof", 8 pm
- 11 P.T.A. Meeting, 1 p.m.
- 12,13 Caroling by Concert Choir
- 14 Faculty - Lettermen Basketball game
- 18 A.C.T. Test
- 17-21 Spirit Week



Ohio Psychological—SCAT!

By Disa Brandberg
PIONEER Editorial Writer

The Ohio Psychological Test, recently taken by seniors, has posed a few thought-provoking questions to me. What exactly is its purpose? Are those vocabulary words archaic or just difficult? Why is it called a psychological test? Is it useful?

The Ohio Psych. Test is used as one of the criteria for admission to Missouri state colleges. Along with these test scores go the results of any other placement tests.

"The test ranges from average to very difficult. It is not outdated, but it is not an easy test," comments Dr. Rosemary Kline, counselor. The state Department of Education in Jefferson City makes the test mandatory for all seniors. Colleges in Missouri request the scores of the Ohio Psych. as a means of predicting a student's success in college.

According to Counselor Jacqueline Hudson, "I think it would be better to give the School and College Aptitude

Test (SCAT) instead of the Ohio sych. because most Missouri state colleges use the SCAT for placement purposes anyway." Miss Hudson added that if a test is of no real value, why take it?

Many students wondered why the test was labeled "psychological." Actually, there is nothing "psychological" about it. The test was just developed in the Psychology Department at Ohio State University.

The SCAT would be a better test for seniors because it is based on a wider range of skills and is not limited to vocabulary and the literal sense of words, like the Ohio Psych. is.

SCAT would cover many more of the subjects found in high schools today. The Ohio Psych. seems terribly one-sided because it "discriminates" against anyone who hasn't had the opportunity to read the dictionary. The SCAT would give everyone an equal chance to show his talents in many other areas besides proper grammar and vocabulary words.

Cafeteria: Looking at Both Sides

By Disa Brandberg and Janet Smith
PIONEER Editorial Writers

As long as there are schools and school cafeterias there will always be complaints about cafeteria environment, service, and of course, the quality of the food. These have reached a serious plateau at Southwest, resulting in an attitude of Them versus Us.

THEM

Mrs. Virginia Morris, cafeteria manager sees the problem in two parts — food prices and students.

"It is going to get a lot worse before it gets better," said Mrs.

Students Speak

Dear Editor,

In the last issue of Pioneer, the Revolver had an article containing a male staff member's view of Women's Lib. It was biased, distorted, and merely proved that a lot of people misconstrue the Women's Lib cause.

Attitudes based on fallacies such as those expressed in this article merely prove that some people are running scared. Unfortunately, however, too many people regard such fallacies as truth and therefore make it hard for any group to achieve their rightful position in society. Rightful in the sense of human rights and endeavors.

I, myself would be more than happy to refute Mr. Mazzola's position on a point to point basis as well as the overall view, but it may be more effective for a female staff member to do this job. It must be done soon because poor Mr. Mazzola's male ego has been threatened and a threatened male ego left unattended tends to veer off into outlandish fantasies.

Fantasies only tease the mind into more ignorance. So, before it's too late to save not only his piece of mind but as well our cause, let's hear the other side.

Insightfully yours,
Ms. Deb Wilson

Morris. It's really a problem having enough food to feed all of the people every day. Since the price of food in general has risen so much, buying in quantity with limited funds is a problem. Some things are so expensive they have been removed from the menu. Almost every week, foods are bought from different sources to try to find a bargain. As Mrs. Morris says, "You can't buy it for 12 cents and sell for 10 cents."

What about the cafeteria itself?

"No matter how nice the food looks, if the cafeteria is dirty, you'll lose your appetite," says Mrs. Morris. The tables are filthy, plates are clogged with gum and paper, napkins are jammed into glasses, food is thrown on the floors as well as other trash. Why? "I cannot believe SW parents pick up after their kids. To me, common decency obliges one to be proud of your school, to show school spirit. Students should be proud to go to SW, SW is their school." What can be done?

US

"The food in the cafeteria is awful!" "The utensils are always filthy." "There's always hair or gum or some kind of junk in the food." "The women behind the counter have nasty attitudes towards us." These complaints

and more are constantly voiced by SW students, and on occasion, teachers. Why do these conditions exist. "We realize that the job of cooking for more than 2,000 people is hard," said junior Jim Robinson, "but the quality of the food leaves something to be desired."

Trays on the table are also a bone of contention. "Why should we pick them up?" said a student. "What are the penalty kids for?" Most students don't know that even though students are assigned cafeteria cleanup as penalties for breaking school rules, students using the cafeteria must still pick up. On the other hand, does the administration know that most penalty servers only pick up a few trays, and then dodge working for the rest of the period? What can we do?

WE

The only solution to this problem is unity between the student body and cafeteria personnel. Each side has valid complaints, but each side needs to listen to the other. Students should stop being so critical about trivia, and possibly come to logical, constructive solutions. Cafeteria personnel should stop acting so defensive to students' questions and subsequently overreact.

The problem may not be completely resolved by such a union, but undoubtedly a greater empathy will result.

Education Can Be Fun

Revising curriculum along lines of relevancy and student interest is gaining popularity in a number of high schools. At Southwest this would be difficult without upsetting our established educational programs.

An experimental solution to this problem might be a day regularly arranged, in which students select from a variety of classes and activities designed to appeal to them.

This idea, called "Z-Day," has been successfully introduced at DuBourg High School and is held four times annually. Students may register for informative seminars, for instance, karate, the Marines, colleges, creative arts, horseback riding and geological expeditions.

"Z-Day" is based on the theory that education should cover a wide range of experience

and not be rigidly confined. Since motivation plays a large part, relief from the tedium of required courses would be desirable. This could not, however, be a mere "fun-day," as courses would have to be educationally geared.

Assistant Principal John Close, suggested such a day two years ago, but encountered certain problems. Increased absences would result in a considerable loss of money to the Board of Education. DuBourg has solved this problem of cutting "Z-day" sessions by penalizing students for three hours on Saturdays. Mr. Close also foresees that an enormous amount of paper work and rescheduling would be involved.

To avoid some of the hassle, the periods might be shortened for a trail-run in the afternoon, instead of setting aside an entire day.



By Jana Thomson
PIONEER Editorial Writer

The United States seems to be a country of contradictions. Consider that this Presidential administration may be the first in history to face impeachment only one year after winning one of the most impressive landslides of all time.

Watergate, of course, is a crisis of monumental proportions. Throughout the last two hundred years, the U.S. has reigned as the world's pacesetter for democracy and political integrity. We've long been "Big Daddy" in the eyes of countries less affluent than we with our protective foreign policy.

Consider the Declaration of Independence, the United States Constitution, and the Monroe Doctrine. Richard Nixon

Waterbuggers have spit in the face of these great documents.

You and I, as voters and future voters, are caught in the middle. Impeachment would further destroy our nation by wreaking havoc with our already frail economy. On the other hand, can we tolerate three more years of the cancer that John Dean says this administration harbors?

I am convinced that aside from our reputation before foreign nations, the scandal is having detrimental effects on the value of our dollar on foreign markets. This factor affects us as citizens more than any other.

Many have argued that in a nation where democracy is less prevalent, this kind of corruption does go on, but the public is left unaware. The public statements made by other

foreign leaders, conspicuous by their absence, are sometimes attributed to this. This point is well taken. However, the Soviet Union, renowned for her ominous political intrigues, still commands the world's respect as she sits back and laughs at the fools we are.

Here, the Nixon administration finds nothing better to do with our tax dollars than to maintain two or three spare white houses. Then, send our revenue off to the USSR so that she can buy our wheat, which she, in turn, sells on the foreign market — at a substantial profit.

Thomas Jefferson said: "The whole art of good government consists in the art of being honest." I think that Nixon's administration owes our founding father a word of explanation.

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Going Way Back ... When?

By Betty Collins
PIONEER Feature Writer

Let's turn back the hands of time to when our teachers were doing their own thing-back to the days of jitterbug dancing, ten cent shows, stuffing phone booths with people, and swallowing gold fish.

Teachers think students today have weird fads, but when they were asked to go way-back-when, they found themselves to be just as far out.

For instance, Mr. Otis Eaton, Industrial Arts instructor, stated he kind of liked the old times and dances. "We were doing nice, slow, close-together dances" he said.

Another teacher, Mrs. Edith Arensman, head of the Science Department, regarded the old way of dressing as "looking clean and neat-always. For

instance, in winter, girls wore wool skirts and knit sweaters."

Fun was usually simple things like going to rat holes, (these were like a show and cost a dime) hiking, picnics, wiener roasts and shows, when money allowed. Usually things that were done for enjoyment were free because of a lack of money. They usually made their own fun.

Although other teachers were going on panty raids and beer busts, Mrs. Betty Cohill, STEP instructor, was shopping or having a "bull session" with friends. (Bull sessions are like rap sessions.)

Songs were not what you would expect them to be. Some, of course, were slow and nice, but others were like the music now. Some songs were, "There Once Was a Mommy Fishy,"

"I'm Gonna Dance Wit Da Guy What Brung Me," and "Night Train." Although to us these songs sound strange, they liked them.

"Right on." We say this to approve of something, or we will say something's "cool" or "far out." They used to say things were "the bee's knees" and "the cat's pajamas." To them these were as natural as our sayings are to us now.

The old times were fun for the "old-timers." However, I think that the past should be just a long stroll down memory lane. As we looked back with the teachers, I think we got a fairly good idea of how things were then. But I must agree with Mrs. Arensman, who said, "The best is yet to come."

Things we're doing now will be for us, someday, a long stroll down memory lane, too. Let's make it a pleasant stroll.



HAIR TODAY, GONE tomorrow? Mr. Otis Eaton (left), Industrial Arts teacher, wears a wig to win a bet made with Mr. David Hucker (right) whose hair comes up a little shorter than usual.

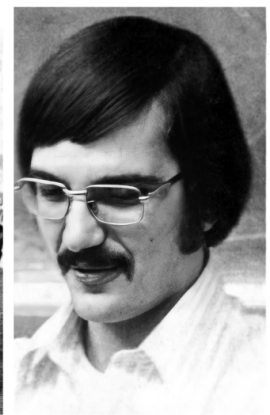


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Hair-Raising Experience Shortens Hucker's Style

By Lillian Millman
PIONEER Feature Writer

"There'll be sparks flying tonight." "Let me do it." "No." "I did it in the service." "He'll have to sit straighter." It's coming off in big chunks — that's two months right there."

These were the comments of Mr. David Hucker, Mr. Jim Clark, and Mr. Arthur Miller, Industrial Arts instructors, during third period, Oct. 31, in room 011. Mr. Miller was cutting Mr. Hucker's hair because of a bet he had made at an Industrial Arts Association of St. Louis meeting with Mr. Otis Eaton. It looks as though Mr. Hucker got the short end of the deal.

Mr. Eaton and Mr. Clark had been hounding Mr. Hucker either to get his hair cut or to wear a hair net. According to Mr. Eaton, it is a ruling of the Board of Education that anyone with long hair must wear a hair net when working around machinery. He explained, "We couldn't ask students to wear hair nets if he didn't."

Mr. Hucker had thus far refused, but when Mr. Eaton and Mr. Clark asked the supervisor for money to buy a

hair net or "jill that" for him, Mr. Hucker snapped back with a proposition directed at Mr. Eaton — if Mr. Eaton wore a wig all day, he would get his hair cut to Mr. Eaton's specifications — within reason.

Mr. Eaton accepted the proposal and on Oct. 30 he became one of the longhairs at SW. He wore a blonde wig through the halls. When asked how he felt, he could only say "hot and foolish."

According to the bet he had to put the wig on when he arrived at school and could not take it off until 3:15 p.m. Many students made comments about his new hair-do and even tried to pull it off, but later laughed with him about it. As you can see, he didn't look like the Mr. Eaton the students once knew.

Mr. Hucker went through a rather short ordeal when Mr. Miller used twelve and one-half inch shears to cut his hair. What used to be shoulder length hair is now about ear length.

Mr. Hucker later commented that he tried to get out of it, but "they held me to it. I thought it was a big laugh that Mr. Eaton would wear a wig all day."

Flying Saucers—To See or not To See

By John Raniero
PIONEER Feature Writer

Look, up in the sky. It's a bird, it's a plane, no, it's a ... UFO?

Many people claim they have seen UFO's, and some even say they have ridden in them. But earthlings have vivid imaginations plus a craving for

excitement and a desire for fame.

Such is the lady that calls to report an unidentified flying object and says, "I know it was a UFO because the letters UFO were printed clearly on the side."

Except for the people that were either hitting the joy juice at the time or had escaped from the loony bin, there have been

some reports that scientists haven't been able to explain.

The wildest is the case of the two fishermen in Pascagoula, Mississippi. They were fishing off a pier around midnight on October 11 when a glowing blue cylinder hovered above them. A door opened and three pointy-eared creatures floated out and took them inside. Later, under hypnosis, they told exactly the same story.

Another weird incident was reported in Alabama. A police radio dispatcher, three police officers, and a deputy sheriff said they saw an orange, glowing object. It had red, blinking lights and made a beeping noise.

In an informal poll taken at Southwest, the opinions of students were split almost 50-50, on the subject of visitors from other planets.

I believe there is life on other planets, and it is quite possible they are sending space-ships to earth, just as we have sent Apollo missions to the moon. But I also think people have gone a bit overboard with UFO sightings.



THIS TOUCHED UP photo created by PIONEER Photographer Brian Grider, illustrates how difficult it is to separate legitimate UFO sightings from hoaxes.

News Briefs

Two Chosen to All-State Chorus

Senior Mary Sherwin and junior Mary Decker have been selected to sing with the Missouri All-State Chorus, made up of high school students from around the state. They will entertain at the Missouri Music Educators Convention to be held in Jefferson City on January 19.

Elks Club Scholars Nominated

Seniors Kim Porges and Greg Arendall and juniors Beverly Pfiefer and Walter Allen have been selected to compete in the Youth Leadership Contest sponsored by the Elks Club International. These students were selected by their counselors on their scholastic and leadership abilities displayed at school and in the community.

By Frank Gurskis
PIONEER Feature Writer

Students keep complaining that they have a hard time making it through the school year what with always getting in trouble and being unable to do what they want. This is because they aren't organized as to what they want to do and not do.

We should follow the example of our teachers. When they see a mob with burning torches moving toward them all they have to do is open their notebooks to M for Mobs and know they are in trouble. Of course they might well be a charcoal by this time.

Wouldn't you like:

to steal the pacemaker batteries from one of our ancient teachers?

to play "Deep Purple" albums in the library?

to put off your homework to Sunday, and not do it, and find all your teachers down with the Bubonic Plague?



not to be a girl being told by a guy that he loves you and now he wants to prove it by:

(a) sharing a vanilla ice cream cone

(b) going to a Pat Boone concert

(c) or any other dull thing we can put in the paper

to bite into a cafeteria fish sandwich that doesn't bite back?

not to be a guy being told by a girl that you are:

(a) a nice guy

(b) a good friend

(c) or something else equally disgusting

You know you are in trouble when you're:

playing hoc-soc and your goalie is so small that his sneakers come up to his waist.

dancing with a girl and then you remember that she's going steady with a Varsity tackle six feet tall in all directions and then that is all you remember

going to fight a guy and then you hear that the last guy to do that had to be loaded into the ambulance with a shovel.

driving at seventy and then you hear on the radio that your type of car's tires tend to fall off at forty-five.

Cagers Know They Can Win

"If they can feel in their hearts that they can win as much as I know they can, they will win." These were the words of new Varsity Basketball Coach, Charles Tracer, concerning this year's Southwest Cagers.

The Varsity Basketball team will play DuBourg tonight in their gym. They were to play in the St. Louis U. High Tournament last Friday and Saturday.

Their vigorous pre-season conditioning program included

weight lifting exercises, such as bench presses, military presses, squats and power cleans. It also required team members to run 2 miles in 12 minutes, 1 mile in 5:30, and the 440 in 65 seconds. Mr. Tracer feels that now his team is ready to enter the season fundamentally sound, well conditioned and with a positive winning attitude.

He stated that they feel they have qualities that the other teams don't have. "We're smarter. We think while we're on

photo by Brian Grider



NEW BASKETBALL COACH Charles Tracer (fowl line) puts his team through a work-out. The Cagers are preparing for the DuBourg game tonight. "They believe in themselves. I believe in them. I have no quitters," states the coach.

Wrestlers Should Make Good Showing

The outlook for our varsity wrestling team for the '73-'74 season is bright, according to Coach Bud Wallach. The team currently has enough members to represent all of the weight classes. Coach Wallach feels that he will never have so many wrestlers that he will have to turn prospective members away.

"B" team coach Ron Ward added that they will never reject anyone because he is not up to the standards of the team.

According to a new league rule, wrestlers may now have longer hair. In previous years, hair was allowed to come to the top of the ear. Now, hair is

permitted to touch the bottom of the earlobe.

Coach Ward repented that the team has acquired new headgear. The headgear the wrestlers used last year gave protection to the ears only. The new gear this year will provide protection for the entire head.

The first league match of this season was held in our gym yesterday against Vashon. Again in our gym on December 6 our teams will play Soldan.

Coach Wallach feels that if more students from Southwest come to our matches, the wrestlers would make a better showing for our school.

Hockey Should Be a PHL Sport

By Ned Thurman
PIONEER Sports Writer

Why isn't our hockey team a PHL sport?

Last year a new club was introduced at Southwest — hockey. The team enthusiasm was great, and this year the school's support has increased. As a result, the club has expanded, forming two B-teams consisting of 20 members each, and a varsity team with 25 players.

At present time to be a member of the club, a \$100 membership fee must be paid. This entrance fee is reduced though, by money-raising projects which offset the initial cost. The equipment is also quite expensive, running from \$100 to \$150 for a good pair of skates. The rest of the gear consists of pads, sticks, and gloves which total approximately \$300. This, plus the club fee can add up.

Coach Jim Clark stated, "I'd like to see it a PHL sport, but it's too expensive. At \$50 an hour for ice plus officials' and scorekeeper's pay, it would probably run \$100 a game."

Since the sport is not PHL, no letters are awarded to the players. The pass money is used for ice time during games and practice. Some of the money goes for new goalie sticks and players' jerseys.

Even though this is a school club, the coach holds the right to cut members from the team.

Mr. Don Ashley, SW athletic director, said, "There aren't enough schools represented. At least half of the public high schools have to be represented for a sport to be PHL."

Mr. Woody Hatfield, former PHL director, stated, "It's not a league sport because of the lack of qualified coaching staffs. The financial support is not enough to cover the cost of the sport."

It seems that the basic concern is that there is not enough money to support hockey teams, although our team seems to be supporting itself at the present time.

Since this is true, the PHL could recognize hockey teams without the risk of losing money.

the court. We're aggressive. We want to excel. And we're a defensive team." According to Coach Tracer, "These things will make us win."

Commenting more on his strategy, coach Tracer said, "Most people come down to play defense — we live it." He said that he hoped that this team would lead the league in defense. The coach added, however, that it didn't necessarily mean that the team would be involved in low scoring games. In fact he said the speed and defense might lead to more points by forcing the opponent to make mistakes and thus setting up the easy basket.

"We have no superstars, but each player has qualities they I can use to make this a winning year," remarked Coach Tracer. He added that "Even though we love defense and want to play it, we're going to be an exciting team to watch. We have fun, but we're serious, we don't mess around."

Summarizing his team, Coach Tracer explained, "I'm for the people that are with me. They believe in themselves. I believe in them. I have no quitters. This is the best team I've ever worked with."

Girls Are Winners On Water and Land

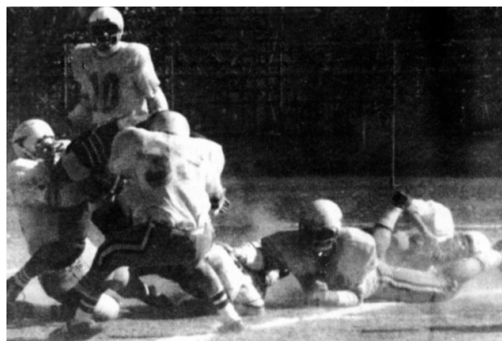
Girls' swim squad and field hockey have just ended successful seasons here at SW. Both have finished very near the top.

The varsity girls' field hockey team, coached by Miss Beverly Nance, has had an almost perfect record, losing only one game. The B-team, on the other hand, has tied all games, 0-0.

The varsity team captains are junior Barb Scully and senior Julie Young, and, for the B-team, sophomores Marianne Ellinger and Sessellie Howard.

The girls' swim team, under the leadership of Mrs. Connie Perkinson, P.E. instructor, placed second in the Girls' Southside Invitational Swim Meet, giving up first place to Cleveland.

Sophomore Sally Smith won first place in the 50-yard backcrawl with a time of 39 seconds, while junior Jean Allman came in second in the 50-yard breast stroke. Stacey Gorges, a junior, was second for the SW squad in the 50-yard Butterfly contest. The city wide meet was held at O'Fallon on November 15 and 16.



MIKE TORNO (33) helps a fellow Longhorn gang-tackle a Central player as (10) Terry Sutherlin looks on. The Longhorns won the game, 15-0, on our field November 10.

SW Longhorns' Defense: The Name of the Game

On the final Saturday, November 17, the Southwest Steers amassed 9 points in shutting out the Blue Devils of Northwest. A Jeff Vaughn to Dan Heck TD pass that covered 31 yards provided six points in the second quarter. Tony Bruening, in the fourth period, banged a field goal from the 22.

The Steers finished the season with a 5-3 PHL record and winning the last four games, three by shutouts, pulled into a 3-way tie for third place with Beaumont and Northwest. In league play, the Longhorns shut out four opponents.

Excluding the 44-0 loss to Sumner, they outscored their other seven opponents by a margin of 62-24 points. "On defense," Coach Leon Anton stated, "the kids great pursuit made us what we were this season."

Third Shutout

The Longhorns recorded their third shutout of the season as they stopped Central cold, 15-0, November 10. In the second quarter, quarterback Jeff Vaughn scored from the 2-yard line after hitting Dan Heck with a 44-yard pass.

Nine points were tacked on by the Steers in the third quarter when Kevin Woods scampered 32 yards with a Red Wing fumble, and Bruening hit his 3-pointer from the ten. A key interception by linebacker Randy Bess set up the field goal.

Guthrie Gets Two

The Longhorns defeated the not-so-rough Riders of Roosevelt

on November 3, 20-6. Kevin Woods sprinted 47 yards around the end for the first of three SW touchdowns. The Green Machine got into gear once more in the first quarter when Creighton Guthrie scored on a pop from the five. With 54 seconds remaining in the half, a John Burroughs pass cut the Steer's halftime lead to 12-6.

Guthrie iced the game by scoring on a one-foot plunge with six minutes left in the contest. Terry Sutherlin added a 2-point conversion to help keep the Rough Riders winless for the year.

SW Bounces Beaumont

The Steers slipped by favored Beaumont, 3-0, October 27, on a wet and muddy SW field. SW played a strong defensive game, most of it in Blue Jacket territory.

In the second half, the Longhorns gained good field position at the Jacket 24 when Beaumont was forced to punt from its end zone. Vaughn passed to Heck at the ten but Beaumont's defense stiffened at the three. On fourth down, Bruening kicked the winning field goal.

The PHL adopted morning games this season. These 9:30 a.m. games replaced the 1 p.m. starting times used in past years. Coach Anton felt they provided a poor atmosphere for the fans. Running back Creighton Guthrie stated, "You are more sluggish for the morning games if you don't get up early; otherwise, they are all right."

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SENIOR RICH BUELTSMANN (middle) boots the ball to Senior Jim Pozzo (left) at soccer tryouts as (background) Senior Bob Zarinelli, Sophomore Tom Quante, and Coach Gary Shell look on.