



PART OF THE ORCHESTRA, seated: Marie Violetta, Dolly Maier, Ron Newell and Ken Huemann. Back row: Armen Kayarian, Gary Abmeyer and Mike Zimmer. OPERETTA TAP DANCERS, front row, from left to right: P. Stumpf, L. Oehler, C. Carpenter, J. Kraemer, L. Epsinola, J. Warren, J. Heberer, P. West, D. Parrette, R. Watson. Back row: J. Roch, J. Cole, N. Dryton, D. Fulstone, M. Mesi, J. Werner, C. Jones.

AUDIO-ENGINEERS are: Robert Booth (left) and Dave Stone. Production helpers (from left) Blanches Bante, Marie Evans and anet Mehler look on. SCENERY CREW, front row, from left: T. Mueller, K. Young, D. Hutchings, T. Riggio, J. Kemmling. Back: B. Zimmer, J. Gilbert, L. White, S. Stahlhuth.

'The Firefly' tonight and tomorrow at 8

SOUTHWEST PIONEER

Production crew keeps show running smoothly

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Five in Eagle Scout campaign

Five SW boys hope to be among those who will participate in Eagle Scout Citizenship Day, Feb. 10, when the Eagle Scouts of the St. Louis Area Council will take over the management of the city and county governments and businesses.

Bill Weaver is running for alderman, Bob Conradi for county councilman and Bill Clasen, Jim Sprandel and Bob McCain

are applying for places in industry.

Those scouts and explorers began their campaign Nov. 16, by separating into two groups, The Missouri Eagles and the St. Louis Patriots, to organize mock political parties.

Each party has adopted a platform and selected candidates for mayor and county supervisor, president of the board of aldermen or chairman of the county council, members of the board of aldermen or members of the county council. A mock election in January will determine which party candidates occupy city and county government posts.

In the Wind

Senior pictures

• **Tonight, 8 p.m.** . . . "The Firefly."

• **Tomorrow, 8 p.m.** . . . "The Firefly." Also at 8 p.m. . . . basketball, SW vs. St. Louis U. High, there.

• **Saturday, 8 am.-5 p.m.** . . . College Board tests at SW.

• **Dec. 9, 9 a.m.** . . . pictures for senior issue of "Pioneer."

• **Dec. 10, 8 p.m.** . . . basketball, SW vs. Webster Groves, there.

• **Dec. 11, after school** . . . senior dance, Kriss Kringle Klump, in cafeteria.

• **Dec. 17, 8 p.m.** . . . basketball, SW vs. Maplewood, there.

SC gains lengthened passing

Two representatives from Student Council, Julie O'Mara and Jerry Caesar, appeared before the faculty, Nov. 14, to ask that passing periods be lengthened from four to five minutes.

Faculty members later voted overwhelmingly to accept their suggestion, even though they had discussed and turned down such a change at the beginning of the semester.

This extra minute between classes will enable students to be in their seats ready to work when the bell rings. In the past teachers, realizing pupils' difficulty in getting to their classes from distant rooms, have sometimes been lenient about sending tardy pupils to Mr. Chase. Now, if a student is not in his seat when the bell rings, he must report to the office.

This extra minute was also allotted to eliminate the safety hazard of running in the halls and pushing on the stairways.

"Solving the passing period problem is an example of the students and the faculty working together. It shows that SC is not just a figure-head government, but one functioning for the benefit of individual students," say Julie and Jerry.

Test to be given here on Saturday for College Board

College Board tests will be given Dec. 7 at SW and other test centers across the nation. SW is the only public high school in this city to be used as a test center.

Students from this area who have applied and paid for the tests will take them here this Saturday. The Scholastic Aptitude Tests (SAT's), with verbal and mathematical sections, will be given in the morning. Other tests, including the writing sample and achievement tests in foreign languages and various other subjects, will be given in the afternoon.

Fun for everyone

Seniors planning Kriss Kringle Klump

The music of the Spectres will be featured at the seniors' Kriss Kringle Klump next Wednesday from 3:30 until 4:30. Everyone is invited.

Admission will be a Santa Claus ticket purchased from a SC representative for a quarter. Chairman of the ticket committee, Stephen Green, and members, Judy Colbert, Judy Sansone, Diane Schultz, Nancy Schwaninger, Valeria Stephan and Peggy Sturgis, are respon-

sible for the decorative tickets.

Refreshments, cookies and coke, will be provided by a committee under Bill Chesus made up of eight seniors. Terry Brandt, John Carso, Nancy Fant, Neal Gibbons, Martha Ince, Carol Knollhoff, Rich Trampe, Gale Wideman and Tom Young. Boys will furnish soda; girls will bring homemade cookies.

Decorations will be taken care of by John McConnell, committee chairman, Cathy D'Angelo, Sandy Dietz, Betsy Dowell, Di-

English poet laureate in tribute to Kennedy

John Masfield, British poet laureate, used his talents to express the world-wide shock and grief resulting from President Kennedy's untimely death at the hands of an assassin last week.

His poem of tribute is entitled "John Fitzgerald Kennedy".

All generous hearts lament the leader killed,

The young chief with the smile, the radiant face,

The curtain will rise on the "Firefly" tonight and again tomorrow at 8.

Many hours of hard work have been put into the promotion and production, not only by members of the cast, but also by sponsors and off-stage workers.

Helping to make things run smoothly backstage are Marie Evans, stage manager; Jim Hankemeyer, chairman of the scenery committee; and Marty McKay, chairman of the props.

Scores made on this test are used by schools that are College Board members in their selection of applicants. Also, a student may compare his scores to the average scores of the freshmen of various colleges, thus seeing where he would be likely to stand in those classes.

College Boards will be given on several future dates at test centers other than SW. For information, see your guidance counselor.

Blanche Bante, special student assistant, and Janet Mehler, in charge of attendance, have been working continuously throughout the rehearsals and the actual productions to help insure the success of the operetta.

During the performance, Dennis Bigley and Korte Brueckmann will be on the spots, Dave Stone and Bob Booth on lighting, Bill Sansone on the curtain, and Bob Temples on the PA. All of these boys, members of the audio-visual department, are under the direction of Mr. Meier.

Publicity has been carried on by the Pioneer and Gayle Terry. Gloria Reden has spent hours decorating the display case. The posters were contributed by members of Miss Boedeker's Art 3-8 class.

Production sponsors are the following. Mrs. Nickerson, working with soloists, as Patti Adams and Dave Stone accompany them; Miss Meyer working with the various choruses; Mr. Vesley with the orchestra; Mrs. Kinderfather with the dance groups; and Miss Guenther with the dialogue.

Mr. Nelson has been distributing tickets to representatives of the various music classes.

Tickets are still being sold for tonight's performance for one dollar in advance. They will be \$1.10 at the door.

FNA working on Christmas project

As a Christmas project, the SW unit of the Future Nurses of America is making place cards for Christmas dinner trays at the State Hospitals. Last year club members made stuffed animals for the city hospitals.

Under the guidance of the new sponsor, Miss Roduit, the girls attend open house programs in various hospitals, where conducted tours and talks help them decide whether to go into nursing and, possibly where to go to school. Hospitals visited this semester are St. Luke's, Lutheran, City and Deaconess.

Officers of the club are President Alice Campbell, Vice-President Diane Rotter, Secretary Margaret Nelden, and Treasurer Janis Schoenberg.

The winning way that turned a wondrous race

Into sublimer pathways, leading on.

Grant to us life that, though the man be gone,

The promise of his spirit be fulfilled.

Groppe is big man at Globe

by Joy DeWinter

CONGRATULATIONS to Ted Groppe, semester five of Mrs. Backers' advisory, who is photo director for the Globe Junior Publishing Company. Not to be overlooked, is Jack Niemeyer, semester five of Miss Kroenlein's advisory, a photographer for the paper.

The paper, *The Arch*, is devoted to reporting Junior Achievement activities and news of area youth. It is sponsored by the *Globe-Democrat*.

LINDA GUCKES represented SW last Wednesday in the American Legion Oratorical Contest at Soldiers' Memorial. She was selected by Mr. Byrne and Miss Hachtman.

THREE SW GIRLS, Irene Intagliata, Beverly Kerr and Gerry Wessel competed along with nine other candidates for the title *Sweetheart of the Thunderbird District Explorer Scouts*.

TWO FOOTBALL LONGHORNS, Tom Young and John McConnell, have been chosen for the mythical All-Public High League Football Team.

THE YOUNGEST MAN FROM MISSOURI to receive the 33rd degree in Masonry in Washington D.C., is Mr. Melvyn Scherzer, Pioneer co-editor Gail Scherzer's father.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE DOLLARS and 65 cents clear profit was made by the GAA girls at the Coke n' Cake sale, Nov. 19.



Question: WHAT WAS YOUR MOST UNUSUAL EXPERIENCE DURING THE WEEKS OF OPERETTA REHEARSALS? (Asked of cast, coaches and assistants.)

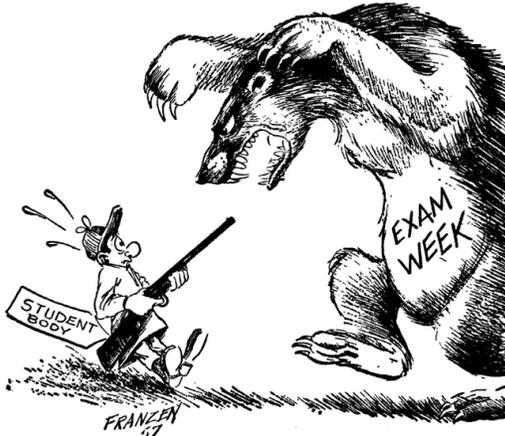
Janice Giunta (Nina): Running into Jim Zimmer's arms and adlibbing in Italian.

Sue Purcelli (Sybil): Having the rest of the cast begin calling me "Sybil."

Miss Guenther: The night everyone had to rehearse in the hall because a piano tuner was working backstage, and we were disturbing him.

Andrea Katsinas (Geraldine) and Craig Marks (John Thurston): The afternoon Miss Guenther taught us how to embrace and make love.

Miss Meyer: As we started to rehearse one night, all the lights went out. We investigated, only to find that the main fuse had burned out. Nevertheless, we continued rehearsal as usual.



Are exams true tests?

As long as the present adult generations can remember, parents and educators have been attacking the "tyranny of the examination." The arguments are familiar.

Examinations cannot be true tests of knowledge; success depends too much on cramming and memory; some students suffer from "nerves" and are not at their best; performance throughout the term is a better indication of the student's knowledge than a test.

Nonetheless, there is evidence that the public confuses success in tests with real learning. Students rated superior in a course can often repeat facts word for word but are unable to draw upon their knowledge for one original thought.

We are faced with a battery of tests at every grading period so that our teachers can compile the required report cards. And it looks as though examinations will have to go on unless in the distant, happy future, someone may work out a fairer method of evaluating a student's accomplishments, maybe even without the use of comparative grades.

Hachtman's Hillbillies

If ya haint poific, try bein' average

by Scherzer and Zimmer

Hey gang, y'all come to the Kriss Kringle Klump, that tree-mendous senior dance, next Wednesday in the cafeteariya. There'll be vittles and sodi pop for them what gets famished and parched.

Think y're normal? If ya kin match up wit most of these statistiks, we might believe ya. By the way, it's gents after gals. Height: 5 ft. 5 in.; 6 ft.

Weight: 118 lbs.; 155 lbs. Age: 17 yrs. 11 mos.; 18 yrs. 6 mos.

Favorite hair color: brown; blond

Favorite food: pizza; steak

Favorite college: Mizzou; Mizzou

Favorite subject: English; girls

Study Hours per week: 8; 6

Week-night deadline: 10:30; 11:15

Week-end deadline: 1 a.m.; 2:30 a.m. (wonder where those boys go for 1½ hrs.)

Favorite TV program: Mr. No-

David Stone (lighting technician and rehearsal pianist): Getting blamed for everyone else's mistakes!

vak; Mr. Novak

Hero: Mr. Novak; Dudley Do-Right

Heroine: Miss Reilly; Liz Taylor

Favorite spectator sport: football; football

Favorite participation sport:

I was there

When tragedy struck

by Rosemary Soroka

THE SADDEST HISTORY of the century paraded before my eyes. I saw it all.

The Dallas and Washington stories, tragic from beginning to end.

FIRST, there was President John F. Kennedy and his attractive wife, Jacqueline, alighting from their presidential plane at Dallas for a motorcade through the city.

"Every precaution" police said, had been taken. U.S. secret service agents had preceded the Kennedys to Dallas, and they were there when the shots rang out and President Kennedy was mortally wounded.

Pandemonium, the race to the hospital — all this I witnessed.

Then the capture of Lee Harvey Oswald, the suspected assassin of the president. This, too, I saw.

That wasn't the end. It was like fiction when the murder of Oswald happened next. And this,

In our time of sorrow

"Conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal."

"The world will little note nor long remember what we say here but it will never forget what we did here."

"It is for us the living rather to be dedicated here to the unfinished task remaining before us that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave their last full measure of devotion. That we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain and that the government of the people, by the people and for the people shall not perish from the earth."

The words of President Lincoln have deep meaning for us now in this time of great sorrow.

Mr. Kennedy was dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. He believed in liberty, freedom and equality for all Americans.

The world will neither note nor long remember what we said but it will never forget what we did. Yes, we. For the blame is on all of us. It was our constant talk of petty differences that kept the wheels turning in the head of the man who pulled the trigger of the gun which killed our president.

"I have so much to do and so little time left to do it." Mr. Kennedy could have had no idea how true were these prophetic words he spoke in a recent interview with Jim Bishop, author of *The Day Lincoln Was Shot*. Now, we the living, as a country, must dedicate ourselves to his unfinished tasks. We fail when we become split. Mr. Kennedy would not have died had there not been splits among us.

It is only by working together as one people that we can keep our government of the people, by the people and for the people from perishing.

Let us join forces now, first, for peace among ourselves; then, for peace throughout the world.

Ask not what your country

Can do for you;

But what you can do

For your country.

John Fitzgerald Kennedy

Vox pop

To the Editor:

Why doesn't SW have a foreign exchange student program? Several schools in the Greater St. Louis area have found such a program highly beneficial to all affiliated with the school.

Joyce Kelly, semester seven

The PTA executive committee is considering a proposal of this nature. However, an exchange program is expensive. Transportation alone costs 700 dollars. Then the exchange student would have to find a family that has a SW student to live with.

To the Editor:

Since graduating from SW in 1962, I have joined the US Army and am now stationed in Mannheim, Germany. A couple of days ago I got to thinking about SW and thought that it would be a great idea if I could obtain a subscription to the Pioneer. Because the Pioneer is one of the best papers I ever had the pleasure to read, I know the money would be well spent.

Don Cox, Class of June '62

Thank you, Don. If Don's old friends would like to write him, they can find his address on the Pioneer room bulletin board.

Happiness is . . .

1. The Firefly
2. an easy opening locker.
3. season basketball pass.
4. eight hours of sleep.
5. a cafeteria stool that doesn't wobble.

Campbell Scoop

Here's a note

So you won't forget:

The "Firefly"

Is the best show yet!



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TB's not licked

Early detection still all important

by Elaine Johnson

Methods of combating the White Plague, alias TB, have changed in the last 25 years.

In 1948, a novel by Betty MacDonald, author of *The Egg and I*, created a sensation. In *The Plague and I*, she told of her battle with tuberculosis. Then, the only hope for TB patients was complete bed rest. Betty MacDonald spent six months in bed, obeying the rules of the sanatorium.

"Patients must not read. Patients must not write. Patients must not laugh. Patients must not talk. Patients must not sing. Patients must lie still. Patients must not reach. Patients must relax. Patients must not spit on the floor."

When fresh air, rest and good food did not cure, artificial pneumothorax, a surgical method of putting the lungs at rest, was resorted to. The affected lung is compressed by the introduction of gas or filtered air into the cavity between the chest wall and the lung. At first, refills of air are given every other day. Eventually, the pe-

riod between "pneumos" grows to four or six weeks.

Modern medicine has changed the TB treatment. Now such drugs as streptomycin, isoniazid and PAS (para-amino salicylic acid) are effective remedies that shorten the period of illness.

TB is not the mysterious disease it was for Betty MacDonald 25 years ago, when victims were forced to spend long periods in sanatoriums.

Even so, TB remains a problem. Today, 250,000 Americans have active cases and 90,000 new cases are discovered annually. Despite modern treatment, TB kills more Americans than any other contagious disease. Through early discovery and treatment, those Americans might live.

Working to save these lives is the TB and Health Society. Virtually the only money the Society has is what you spend for Christmas Seals. This money is used to help in the prevention and in the early diagnosis of TB through publicity and X-rays. Money is also spent for rehabilitation after a cure is effected.



MISS LOUISE BOERJESSON, head librarian.

All stand to gain by acquaintance with SW library

by Julie O'Mara

The library was used 32.15 times by students last year. But did you use it? If not, wake-up to the many features of our SW library.

For your convenience it is open before A-period and stays open until 4 p.m. An average of over 200 use the library facilities and borrow an average of 150 books each day. But there should be more using the library.

Included in the 9,400 volumes are five sets of general encyclopedias, countless reference books on literature, science, history, home economics and many novels and pleasure books.

The Board of Education allots \$1.25 per pupil enrolled for library expenditures. Publishers' donations and gifts from friends also supplement the demand for new books.

Under the direction of Miss Boerjesson, head librarian, and Mrs. Search, assistant librarian, 25 students help during the day by checking books, arranging shelves, taking library slip stubs to study halls and performing countless other tasks. Janieal Schulte does the decorative displays and Bonnie Vespy does much of the clerical work.

Wild blue yonder beckons her on

She started her flying lessons in July and has been in ground school since September. In order to get her license she had to put in 40 hours in the air, 20 solo, 10 dual and 10 cross-country. Do you know who this miss in the 'wild blue yonder' is? Well, look at the clues below.

She has a sister who was a Miss SW maid.

And her sister's name is Susan.

Now don't give up.

Did you ever peak under SNAFU?

You should look in Mr. Eaton's advisory.

She drives a green Volkswagen.

To her friends she's known as Sandy.

Only a few more guesses.

Egad! You don't know yet?

Her term is six.

Right! It's Sandy Stoehr.

Press conference

Writers place 2nd, 3rd

Representing the *Pioneer* in news writing competition, Joe Anne Kraemer placed second and Elaine Johnson, third, in the seventh annual Metropolitan St. Louis School Publications Sponsors Press Conference, Nov. 16, at Washington U.

Approximately 675 students and sponsors from 50 area schools attended the meeting. The conference was presented by the MSSPS and Sigma Delta Chi and Theta Sigma Phi, professional journalism fraternities. Washington U assisted by providing facilities.

First place winners in the junior and senior high divisions in news, editorial, sports and feature writing contests were considered for a special award. The best writers, Judy Day of Fox High and James Truesdall of Steger Junior High, attended

a dinner and press conference with New York's Governor Nelson Rockefeller at the Missouri Press Club the same evening.

In order to provide a program covering a wide variety of interests, the conference included lectures on photography, advertising, writing and preparation for and opportunities in journalism.

One speaker, Mr. William Woo, feature writer for the Post-Dispatch, told how to write an effective feature. The lead story in the feature section next day proved he could practice what he preached.

Other staff members who attended the programs were Julie O'Mara, Pat Hanson, Holly Ross, Margie Morgan, Kathy Ball, Jerry Caesar, Judy Schutz, Joy DeWinter, John Gilbert, Ron Petrikin and sponsor, Miss Murphy.

Gossip is Nancy's job

by Brenda Perotka

"What do you know?"

What do you say?

What's the latest hullabaloo?

KXOK has the answer for you."

The "answer" to this jingle heard nightly on KXOK radio is Kay, who blabs the latest from all St. Louis high schools to the evening disc jockey popularly called "Johnny Rabbit." If you want to know something, if you want to tell something, you need only pick up your phone and "call Kay."



Let's vote!

Displaying a very democratic attitude, Mr. Merchant asked his Advanced Math 2-2 class if it wanted a test before or after the holidays.

Lynn Espinola slyly whispered, "Yeah, after the Easter holidays."

Daffynitions

Jack Niemeyer contributes these goodies:

Coach — a fellow who will gladly lay down your life for the school.

Gold Digger — a human gimme pig.

Super Honor Roll — "Never, Never Land."

Economics — An intellectual's expression for "What happened to the money in the cookie jar?"

Monday mix-up

Ralph Heineman, went to brush his teeth early one Monday morning. His toothpaste didn't taste right, however. It was shaving cream!

Was she ever frightened up there? "One time I flew through a cloud and couldn't see a thing."

Hootenanny!

SW groups join trend

by John Gilbert



SW FOLKSINGERS are, from left, Tom Schnyder, Ray Hilt, Dave Torrence and Tom Stringer. Back row: Dave Dwyer, Jim Walling and Bill Boland.

One of the biggest trends of this year has been the rebirth of folksinging. It has swept the country in a fury of finger-pluckin', foot-stompin' and soul-singing, bringing with it a host of new talent and revealing the relatively unknown veterans of this type of music.

Started by the college crowd, adopted by their parents and enjoyed by those in high school, folksinging has found its way to our hallowed halls. Needless to say, it has been a hit here and has attracted several groups of faithful followers.

Among them is the Night Riders, a quartet that has been recognized in more circles than those within SW. Consisting of Tom Stringer and Dave Torrence, both sevens, and assisted by John O'Connor of Cleveland and Judy Lockhart of Hazelwood, the Night Riders have appeared at Norwood Country Club and at the USO for Pal Day where they galloped away after rousing applause for their performance.

Consider also the well-known group around SW of Jim Wall-

ing, Bill Boland and Dave Dwyer. They have played for various audiences at Trinity Church, a church camp at Union, Mo., at the teachers' convention and at the Chase Hotel, where they auditioned for a Hootenanny.

Tom Schnyder and Ray Hilt have also adopted the folksinging style. At the Gallery and on the SW stage on Hello Day and Friendship Day they have sung their way through chorus upon chorus of such songs as "Blowin' In The Wind" and "There's A Meetin' Here Tonight."

Commercial distributors have not lost out on the gaining popularity and promise of folksinging, either. There has been an even greater amount of recordings directed toward the Hootenanny enthusiast than ever before. Led by such pioneers, so to speak, as The Kingston Trio new groups have steadily come into being.

Among the better singers are Joe and Eddie, Miriam Makeba, The Weavers, Josh White and the folksinging and gag combination of the Smothers Brothers. Surely folksinging is here to stay.

Football season closes with win over Sumner

by Jerry Caesar

The SW High School football team ended its season Nov. 23 by defeating Sumner, 13-6. This victory made its final overall record stand at six wins and three losses.

The 1963 season started where the 1962 season left off. The Longhorns won their first four games by scores of 26-0, 28-12, 41-6 and 27-6. At this point, the Longhorns led the area in offense and was ranked the sixth best team in the entire district in a *Post-Dispatch* poll.

Then came the turning point. Roosevelt, a team that had given SW their only league loss last

Undefeated team finishes hockey season on top

Is it just the stick that transfers a sweet, charmingly demure, feminine creature into a monstrous fiend who will risk life and limb to gain possession of a small white ball?

Is it because a girl feels secure and protected behind a pair of shin guards that she goes out on a hockey field with the feeling that she can conquer the world?

Apparently so, because for the second year in a row the SW Girls' Hockey Team ranks on top, undefeated (3-0) and unscored upon, for this year. Soldan and Cleveland (2-1) ran second and McKinley, O'Fallon and Vashon placed third (1-1-1).

On its three regularly scheduled Saturday games, the team hit out over Vashon and Sumner (3-0) and Roosevelt (2-0). In Wednesday invitational games the girls scored over O'Fallon and McKinley (1-0) and tied O'Fallon and Soldan (0-0).

Ten goals were scored in all: C. Furgerson — 3, I. Intagliata — 3, C. Shanz — 2 and G. Rieck — 1. More than 3 goals, by one team, are hardly ever scored in this fast moving game; seldom does the score get higher.

Ivy League likes Grana's football

Bill Grana, June '60 SW graduate, continues to make football headlines.

The director of sports information at Harvard, where Bill is now enrolled said, "Bill is without a doubt one of the most devastating blockers in the Ivy League." The Ivy League consists of such schools as Princeton, Harvard and Yale.

As a sophomore, Bill won all-Ivy honors by being Harvard's leading ball carrier with 431 yards. In his four year career, Bill has compiled more than 1000 yards rushing.

At SW, he made the All-District Team, and a trophy in the corridor case names him *KXOK Player of the Year, 1959*.

year, was ready for the Longhorns again. In the hardest fought game of the season, Roosevelt fared on top, 9-2.

The Longhorns had finally been stopped. The winning streak had been broken at 11. But SW came back the next week to win against Central, 13-0.

They were now tied for first place and needed all three of their final games to reign again as PHL Champions. But they lost to Beaumont, 14-7, to Cleveland, 18-14 and finally beat Sumner, 13-6.

In the final game of the year, Dan Kelly, SW's talented sophomore fullback, carried the Longhorns to a victory and a fifth place tie in the PHL. Larry Lalumondiere and Kelly each scored once. John McConnell contributed to the cause with a 37 yard pass reception from Tom Young, which set up Lalumondiere's TD.

To some, the season was a disappointment. However, SW never lost a game by more than seven points all year. They won two-thirds of their games. The depth that has been built in sophomores and juniors, will result in a strong team again next year.

Cagers led by seasoned coach

by Holly Ross



COACH JACK MIMPLITZ

Amid the noisy helter-skelter of basketball team members practicing in the gymnasium, the new coach smiled cheerfully for this *Pioneer* reporter.

Mr. Jack Mimplitz, a familiar figure to students of World History, knows basketball, too. His interest in the game began as a high school student when he played with the CBC Cadets. At St. Louis University later he joined the famed Billikens.

After college, he taught at both Central and Mercy, where he began his work as basketball coach. The three years he spent teaching and coaching the Bulldogs at Mercy High gave him a sense of accomplishment. During these years he saw his team take exciting tournament championships and a fourth place rank in the State Championship.

Last year Mr. Mimplitz was head coach at Harris Teachers College, and he comments proudly that Harris held a record of 20 wins - 3 losses.

An active man, the coach places emphasis on defensive play and the fast break. This fast action promises an exciting season for SW fans. So let's all get out there and root for our next championship team under experienced Coach Mimplitz.

An Editorial

Wanted—more participants in sports

The addition to SW building will furnish not only new classrooms, library and chemistry labs, but also a new gym — perhaps the most necessary addition to the school.

What is SW going to do with its new facilities? The chem labs and library will be used to the greatest advantage we are sure, but what about the gym?

The *Pioneer* Sports Editors feel that sports competition, be it varsity or sandlot, is equally as important as Shakespeare, Bach, Einstein and the rest.

There are too many sports spectators at SW High School! The football, the basketball games — all varsity sporting events — are well attended. But how many can and do participate in varsity competition? Only the few who have outstanding

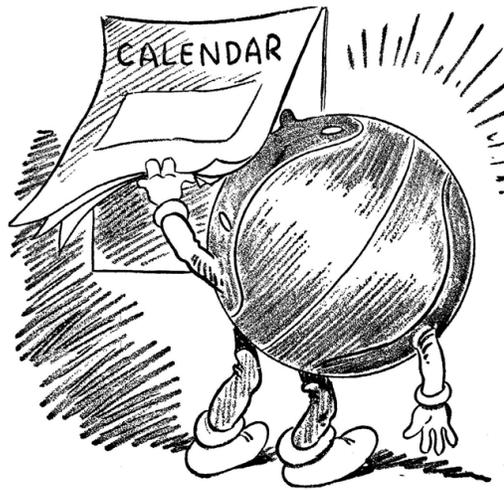
skill.

What about the boy who isn't skilled enough to enter varsity competition? Could there be a BAA (Boys' Athletic Association)? The organization, offering seasonal sports, could be similar to GAA. In this way the average boy could participate in extra sports activities.

At present, the GAA can accommodate only 204 girls out of 1139 or 17 per cent of the total female enrollment. With the new gyms, why couldn't GAA be expanded to two nights a week like bowling?

Girls in Track II gym number twice as many as in Track I. Surely with the new facilities (and a little work) this ratio could easily be turned around.

Think it over! Couldn't sports participation be improved?



Varsity basketball

SW vs. Central Dec. 21

Varsity basketball opens with a game Dec. 21 at 1:30 p.m. against Central at O'Fallon.

The non-league season for the Cagers appears rugged. Included in the schedule for December are St. Louis U High, Webster Groves and Maplewood.

The strength of the team will depend largely on the five returning lettermen: Captain John Carrington, Cal Edinger, Larry Lalumondiere, Bob Strathman and Tom Young.

One of the tallest players on the team, Cal Edinger, 6'5", junior, will be back for his second year. Cal's turn-around jump shot from the foul line is the play to watch in coming SW games.

According to Coach Mimplitz, "The team is a hard-working group with their primary assets being hustle, speed and defense."

The second non-league game of the season is set for tomorrow with St. Louis U High Junior Bills. According to last year's record, St. Louis H High was victorious over SW in a 57-29 upset, but the Longhorns hope to turn the tables on Dec. 6.

The non-league schedule is as follows:

Dec. 6 St. Louis U High there
Dec. 10 Webster Groves there
Dec. 17 Maplewood there

Skaters open season, assist blind students

SW Ice Skaters, sponsored by Mr. Eaton, opened their season Nov. 4 at Steinberg Memorial Rink. Club members will help skaters from the Missouri School for the blind.

Sessions are scheduled for Mondays from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. New members are welcome. Club officers are Bob Schwab, president; Meredith Bruner, vice-president; Gaye Twiehaus, secretary-treasurer.

Junior varsity football builds 3-2-1 record

SW B-football team, under Coach Wallach, closed its season two points away from being undefeated. Their record stands at three wins, two losses and one tie.

The season opened with a 0-0 tie with Vashon. The varsity hopefuls obtained their first victory by downing McKinley 7-0. "The kids made mistakes but played good at it," was how Coach Wallach evaluated the Roosevelt game, which he believed to be the team's most encouraging victory, 7-0.

What turned out to be the team's final two games of the season were lost by the score of 7-6. The last scheduled game against Sumner was cancelled because of bad weather.

Coach Wallach summed up his second season as B-team coach this way, "It was fun and enjoyable for all."

The scores of all the games are as follows:

SW.....	0	—	Vashon.....	0
SW.....	7	—	McKinley.....	0
SW.....	7	—	Roosevelt.....	0
SW.....	13	—	Central.....	0
SW.....	6	—	Beaumont.....	7
SW.....	6	—	Cleveland.....	7
SW.....		—	Sumner.....	

Final league standings are not yet available.



by Gail Nolan

"Does anybody want a piece of cake?" — Free??? It seems as if everybody ate so many pieces of cake at the GAA Cake and Cake Sale that left over cake couldn't even be given away.

Under the sponsorship of Miss Bonnie Burgett, and the leadership of Connie Herberts, GAA President, the sale was quite a success, adding \$125 to the treasury.

Visiting the Physical Education department from Webster College is Miss Francis Zimmerman. As a requirement for her degree in that field, Miss Zimmerman will be helping the girls gym classes through the first part of December.

The Girls Interschool Basketball Team is "raring to go!" Under the coaching of Miss Burgett, there will be a Freshman-Sophomore team and a Traveling team.

A Freshman-Sophomore game was scheduled against O'Fallon on Dec. 4, as the opening game of the season. As a team, they will play McKinley Dec. 11, Soldan Dec. 13, O'Fallon Jan. 8, Cleveland Jan. 15, Soldan Jan. 18, and Roosevelt Jan. 25.

Speaking of "HeWomen", the following girls were the only ones rating "H" in P.E. on their report cards this time: Kay Kittlaus and Gloria Rieck. Congratulations, girls.