

'Meet Me in St. Louis' tonight, tomorrow



CHAIRMAN OF THE PRODUCTION COMMITTEES are, from left, Row 1—J. Meyers, T. Haller, M. Morgan. Row 2—P. Hanson, J. Kelly, K. Young, S. Carroll. Row 3—J. Huning, J. Cole, G. Wessel, C. Rasche. Row 4—G. Bentzinger, L. Paris and K. Thomas.

FAMILY FRIENDS. From left: Ralph Sneed (Rose's beau), Eileen Vance (Lucille Pentard) and John Gilbert (Esther's beau). **INSET:** Director Miss Guenther.

Forum, latest club, open to new members

If you are interested in art, literature, music or history, the place for you is the Forum, a new SW club sponsored by Mr. Byrne, Social Studies chairman.

The purpose is to develop interests of this sort among students. Said Mr. Byrne, "The club was started because a number of students in World History 2 were interested."

Varied programs are presented. One Saturday the club toured the Art Museum. On another occasion a demonstration of ancient musical instruments was given by Jan Sheehan, semester four.

Other programs included the discussion of the play "A Case of Analysis" written by Alan Meyers, semester six; and a history of American jazz by Mr. Katz of the Social Studies Department. A discussion and demonstration of Indian dances was given by Doug Nuelle, semester five. Mr. Dhimitri Zonia, father of SW two, Margaret, presented an art demonstration.

The Forum, meeting every Wednesday or Thursday afternoon in Room 315, is headed by President Marilynne Katunar; Vice-President Jan Sheehan; Secretary Dennis Abernathie and Treasurer Marie Violetta.

Membership at present totals 20. Interested persons are invited to join.

PTA donates \$325 to school

SW PTA has lately donated \$325 to the school. Each year this organization has contributed money for the purchase of items considered essential but not covered in the school board budget.

Pioneer has received \$25 to help pay for a new camera. The student aid fund has received \$50, which is distributed through the counselors to SW



SMITH FAMILY PHOTO. From left: Holly Ross (mother), Ron Petrikin (father), daughters Pam Stumpf (Rose), Judy Werner (Esther), Gayle Cobb (Agnes) and Dayne Whitworth (Tootie).

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Want to be governor?

9 SW 'Statesmen' to have chance

Have you ever dreamed of running for governor or perhaps becoming a Supreme Court judge?

Nine SWerners will have the chance to do all this and more this summer when they attend the annual Missouri Boys and Girls States, sponsored by the American Legion.

Five SW girls, Nickie Dryton, Kathy McCormick, Dianne Sinclair, Paulette Smith and Charlene Vasterling, have been nominated and accepted for Girls State at Stevens College, Columbia, Mo., from June 13 to 20. Each American Legion Post sponsors one girl.

students who need some financial aid to attend school.

The teachers received \$200 to be used for extra furnishings that will be needed in the faculty dining room and lounge which will be available next year. In addition the \$50 presented in recognition of Teacher Appreciation Day will be used for the new furniture.

Selected by Mr. Wilde to attend Boys State are Michael Heinicke, Alan Klobasa, Keith McCormick and Bill Weaver. Each boy applied to Mr. Wilde and was chosen on the basis of leadership, character, scholarship and service. Boys State will be held at Warrensburg, Mo., on the campus of Central Missouri State College during the week of June 13.

In the wind

3 spring sports

- **Tonight and tomorrow, 8 p.m.** . . . senior play, "Meet Me in St. Louis."
- **Tuesday, 4 p.m.** . . . baseball at Sublette, SW vs. Beaumont.
- **Thursday, 4 p.m.** . . . tennis match at Francis Park, SW vs. O'Fallon.
- **7:30 p.m.** . . . Armed Forces Night for semester 5-8 boys and their parents. See page 3.
- **Friday, 4 p.m.** . . . baseball at Sublette, SW vs. Vashon.
- **May 2, 8 p.m.** . . . senior prom at Bel Air.
- **May 4** . . . double aud for cheerleader election.
- **May 5 and May 6, 4 p.m.** . . . state preliminary track meet.

Cast, backstage workers ready for performances

Meet Me in St. Louis, a comedy about a St. Louis family at the time of the World's Fair, will be presented in the auditorium by the senior classes tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m.

The cast has been rehearsing the past two month and many who will not appear on stage had parts to play. First, supervising the crews and directing the cast is Miss Linda Guenther. Assisting her are Gail Bentzinger, stage manager, and Linda Paris, assistant stage manager.

The scenery and property committees have created the Smith family's Victorian living room. These wielders of carpentry tools and paint brushes are J. Boehm, B. Conrad, D. Gamache, M. Katunar, J. Kraemer, M. Nelden, D. Pritchard, V. Wittgrove under the direction of co-chairmen, Joyce Kelly and Chris Rasche.

Margie Morgan and Lois Shimamoto, heads of the property committee, have found or made the authentic props to be used tonight. T. Fernow, C. Gabriel, P. Ruckle, F. Scharr, R. Slaznik, J. Zdelar and E. Zupan make up the prop crew.

Makeup crews will be in action tonight and tomorrow under the direction of Joan Janssen and Kay Young. Costumes have been lent by Mrs. Kinderfater and Mrs. Klinefelter, through the intercession of Susan Carroll and Kathy Thomas, co-chairmen of the costume committee.

If somebody forgets his lines, prompters B. Dunlap, C. James, M. Kastinas and E. Kleine are ready. Special effects will be taken care of by Tom Haller, B. Hall, M. Heineke, D. Hutchings and D. Loken. Gerry Wessel, S. Cutney, M. Haas, B. Hoelscher, D. Marks and D. Rotter are charged with selling tickets.

Chairmen Joyce Meyers and Judie Moeller along with a committee of 15 girls, will usher. Programs were designed by Pat Hanson and her committee. The curtain will open to music chosen by Judy Hunning's committee. The mechanics of sound and light will be handled by the Audio-Visual Aids group under the direction of Mr. Allen Meier.

April 10 last day for Miss Steffen

Miss Ethel Steffen, SW Latin and English teacher, retired April 10. She was one of the original teachers who came to SW in Sept. 1937.

Mr. Young comments, "Miss Steffen's contribution to the education of thousands of SW students through more than a quarter of a century has been great. A truly dedicated teacher who insisted upon a high level of achievement, she will be difficult to replace."

Safety League making survey

The City-Wide Safety League is conducting a survey to determine whether freshmen, sophomores, juniors or seniors have the most accidents, what type of accidents occur most frequently and what is the nature of the accidents.

Survey questions were taken to advisories through the SC representative. Results were turned in to Bruce Wolff, who will report them to Mr. Gillilan, Safety Council sponsor.

In a preliminary examination of the survey here, Bruce Wolff, SW representative to the

League, and other members of SW Safety Committee found auto accidents to be the most frequent. However, these accidents prevail in the sophomore-senior group only, while freshmen have the most trouble falling down steps.

Falls are second in frequency, while accidents range from cuts to burns. In conjunction with the project, a safety poster, "How to Fall," has been placed in the main case for students to study. These problems will be discussed at League meetings and suggestions for avoiding accidents will be made.

They go 'forth to serve'

Education is vitally important to Americans, for without learning we will be unable to keep up with the fast pace of present day advances in such fields as science and mathematics.

And if America is to be educated there must be educators. Yet, teaching is a profession critically in need of trained personnel.

As Milton S. Eisenhower, President of Johns Hopkins University and also the brother of former President Dwight D. Eisenhower, points out, "The road to a teaching career is a rigorous one; it demands an insatiable curiosity, concern for young people and a dedication to scholarship."

Teaching is a broad category. Elementary school, high school, college and university teaching, research work in the higher institutions, a specialized field of teaching (deaf, dumb, blind, etc.), counseling and supervision are among the possibilities.

Our school motto is, as everyone knows, "Enter to learn; go forth to serve." Have you thought of "serving" your country in the teaching profession?

Prize movie 'Tom Jones' closely follows novel

by Julie O'Mara

The much praised movie *Tom Jones* is playing now at the Loew's Mid-City Theater. According to reviews it is unusual in that it is so exactly adapted from Henry Fielding's novel.

There are small differences, of course. A few relatively unimportant parts, such as the eating scene with Tom, played by Albert Finney, a young English actor, and Mrs. Waters, a luring woman whom Tom later thinks his mother, which was played up more in the movie than in the book.

The theme is very evident in both the movie and book, but Fielding stressed Tom's good characteristics, while the movie

played on his mischievousness.

Clever camera techniques were used to make the background more effective. For example — the film is run backwards so that the audience can take a second look at what happened. The action is stopped and the narrator explains the significance of a particular scene.

Also unusual is the fact that the actors talk or make funny gestures, such as winking, toward the audience to explain what is happening. Contrary to what one might think, this does not make the picture seem less realistic, but makes it funnier and puts the audience into the story.

Tom Jones, a British made picture, last week was cited for



'It might have been!'

For of all sad words of tongue or pen,
The saddest of these: "It might have been!"

John Greenleaf Whittier

Have your grades on the first ten weeks' report card made you sad as you wondered what they "might have been" if you had made greater effort?

Could you have avoided that F? Might you have made the super honor roll if you had worked harder in math? You'll never know what you can do unless you strive for grade improvement.

The first step toward better grades is better study habits. Form the habit of concentrating on assignments for each subject every night. Be persistent; don't let your efforts slacken.

And always remember this truism as expressed in the motto of a recent graduating class: *What you are to be you are now becoming.* Will the next report card again set you to speculating sadly on what "might have been"?

In the news

Stork pays visit to Purdy family

by Margie Morgan

GUESS WHAT CAME WITH THE APRIL RAIN? A low-flying stork with a new addition for Mr. Purdy's family!

Robin Annette Purdy was born April 2. Both mother and baby are doing fine.

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CLASSES OF JANUARY AND JUNE '44 will hold a 20-year reunion May 22 at Le Chateau Restaurant.

Guests of honor will include remaining teachers (Now who's gonna admit he's that old?) who are still "in the swing of things."

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MR. DRIPPS, as he moved in front of Gaye Dyhouse in the cafeteria line, was heard to comment, "I've been eating here for 11 years, but 11 years ago I was six feet two and had hair." Well, kids, that's life. Hair today — gone tomorrow.

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DO YOU REMEMBER former assistant librarian Charles Koch and physics apprentice Jay Brown? Mr. Koch is now librarian for the Professional (Audio-Visual) Library located at Harris Teachers College. Mr. Brown is presently a physics teacher and wrestling coach at Cleveland.

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JUNE '61 GRADUATE SHEILA REYNOLDS has received the President's Scholarship at Lindenwood College the third consecutive time for having the highest scholastic average.

All B-team sports are reviewed at the end of the season. Since varsity requires more skill and there is a limited amount of space on a page, these activities receive priority. Sports Ed.

How to get your name in 'Pioneer'

Here are some sure-fire ways to get your name in *Pioneer*: Climb a mountain OR fall off one.

Get a lock of hair from one of the Beatles OR get one of the Beatles.

Have your father elected President OR buy a ranch and give away 10-gallon hats.

OR

Make all H's; write poetry; wear purple-striped clothes; have 20 brothers and sisters; get signed by the Cardinals; run the wrong way for a touchdown...

OR

If all else fails: JOIN THE PIONEER STAFF!

Is a legal career for you?

by Timothy Barnhart

To those considering a legal career, this information from John Hopkins University may be helpful.

Preparation requires three to four years of college, followed by three years of law school. Some universities, including St. Louis, Washington and Missouri, offer a combined six-year legal course. After graduation from law school, the student must pass the bar examination.

In addition to these formal requirements, the attorney must think logically, express his ideas clearly and have a great deal of common sense. He must be well versed in history, psychology and philosophy, as well as law. He must also have an unwavering sense of responsibility toward his client.

The young attorney may practice alone or with a firm or corporation. He may also enter

politics or teach a specific point of law at college. If a legal career is pursued with diligence, it will reap golden rewards, including judiciary appointments, political success and the satisfaction of defending human rights.

In today's changing society and growing population, the demand for those who know the law is increasing. Orville Richardson, President of the Missouri Bar Association, points out, "The study of law, whether practiced as a profession or not, will afford an exciting and rewarding experience to any young man or woman."

Senior Spooktacular

Introducing average girl, boy ghouls

by Kay and Joyce

If you've all been wondering what a real ghost looks like, here's the answer: the average senior girl ghoul and boy bat. Sorry, boys, girls are first.

Height — 5'5", 6'1"

Weight — 125, 165.

Age — 17, 17.

Favorite hair color — brown, brown.

Favorite food — pizza, steak.

four academy awards — best picture, best direction by Tony Richardson, best music score, and best adapted screen play by John Osborne. It is well worth the \$1.50 admission fee.

Students' choice

'Gone with Wind' ranks 1st

Gone with the Wind by Margaret Mitchell is the favorite book of SWerners. In a survey of 100 juniors and seniors, taken in connection with National Library Week, Apr. 12-18, the Civil War romance polled over one-fifth of the votes cast.

In a similar poll two years ago, *Gone with the Wind* also triumphed. Its continuing popularity has been due, both to its historical significance, and to the romance of Scarlett O'Hara and Rhett Butler.

Tied for second place are 1984 by George Orwell, *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee and *The Ugly American* by William J. Lederer and Eugene Burdick.

Mysterious Island by Jules Verne, *Pygmalion* by George Bernard Shaw, *Hamlet* by William Shakespeare and *Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Bronte are next in the balloting.

All these books are available in the SW library.

Miss Boerjesson, librarian, comments, "It always amazes me how serious some of the student reading is. Of course, tastes vary from really serious books such as 1984 and *Fail-Safe* to light

romantic novels."

Some individualists prefer science fiction (*Out of the Silent Planet* by C. S. Lewis), political philosophy (*The Prince* by Machiavelli) and humor (*Around the World with Auntie Mame* by Patrick Dennis).

Novels span the centuries, from the 18th Century *Tom Jones* by Henry Fielding, to the modern *Catcher in the Rye* by J. D. Salinger.

Vox pop

To the Editors:

I feel that B-team sports should receive more attention. Junior division track, which is on the same level as other B-team sports, receives more publicity and is awarded letters. I do not see how such an unfair practice can exist at Southwest when it does not exist at Roosevelt, Cleveland and other schools.

Bryan Richardson.

To begin with, junior division track is not a B-team but a division of the track team, according to age rather than skill.

Hours studied per week — 10, 11.

Favorite subject — English, girls' P.E.

Favorite college — Mizzou, Mizzou.

Dates per week — 2, 1.

Movies per month — 3, 2.

Movie actress — Doris Day, Liz Taylor.

Movie actor — Paul Newman, John Wayne.

Dances per year — 13, 3.

Favorite band — Avantis VI, Eugene Neal.

TV program — Mr. Novak, Leave It to Beaver.

Heroine — Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy, Granny Clampett.

Hero — Tom Jones, Tom Jones.

Week night deadline — 10:30

p.m., 11 p.m.

Week end deadline — 1 a.m., none.

Per cent of SW sports attended — 48, 80.

Surprised? Girls, this only goes to prove that blondes shouldn't have more fun! Oh, and boys, you should remember the week end curfew for minors; for those under 18, it's 12 a.m.

Long live Tom Jones, (sigh) our hero!



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Spare-it of SW

The Senior play begins at 8. So what are you waiting for? "Meet Me In St. Louis" is great. Fifty cents now or 60 at the door.

199 make honor roll at midsemester

One hundred ninety-nine SWerners earned honor grades of 3.5 or better by mid semester.

As in the past, eights rank first with 11 percent of their class having honor grades. The sixes are next with 10 percent; then the two's and sevens, with 8 percent; the fours, with 7 and the fives, 5 percent.

For this grading period, no one achieved a 5 point average. Highest average of 4.8 belongs to David Jerger, a four, and Wendy Smith, a two.

The super honor roll, made up of 87 students whose grade average is 4.0 or better follows:

Semester eight . . . 4.7 - Dennis Kraus, 4.6 - Lynn Espinola, Bill Morris, 4.3 - Joyce Kelly, Karen Marquardt, 4.2 - Blanche Bante, Joe Anne Kraemer, Phyllis Stough, Tracy Wong, 4.1 - Doris Violetta, 4.0 - Pat Batterberry, Nancy Boken, Isa-Jo Dohnal, Richard Fowler, John Gilbert, Marilyn Katunar, Judy Moeller, Laura Mueller, Julie O'Mara, Christine Rasche, Nancy Schoenbeck, Rosie Soroka, Elaine Johnson, Frances Susyko.

Semester seven . . . 4.4 - Jane Paolucci, 4.0 - Carol Thompson.

Semester six . . . 4.6 - Kathy Kelly, Alan Meyers, 4.4 - Jim Zemenick, 4.3 - Doris Slavens, 4.2 - Sharon Dunn, Alan Klombasa, 4.1 - Pat Hamilton, 4.0 - Gail Ahrens, Lois Isensee, Dolly Maier, Bill Rice, Gaye Twiehaus, Gerry Uhlenhaut, Gary Walling.

Semester five . . . 4.2 - Dennis Green, Stefan Kozak, Bill Suszko, 4.0 - Darlene Ketten, Bob Schmidt, Cathleen Voss, Diane Wieland.

Semester four . . . 4.8 - David Jerger, 4.6 - Judy Dunajick, Jim Economon, Linda Pilliard, 4.4 - Craig Marks, David Pike, Joann Prokopchuk, Ann Winfrey, 4.3 - Danette Key, 4.2 - Eliz-

abeth Boisaubin, Jeanne Brown, Andy Erthim, Janice Heberer, Karen Schriefer, 4.1 - Gary Borchering, Joyce Colombo, Carol Denkmann, Michael Hoffman, Mike Snyder, 4.0 - Mike Almerito, Jane Belford, Barbara Cannon, Gloria Greer, Linda Karpinski, Diane Serniak.

Semester two . . . 4.8 -

Wendy Smith, 4.6 - Don Gieseke, Terry Guckes, 4.4 - Jean Dow, Tom Hartman, Joan Hutchins, Trina Ossowsky, 4.2 - Michael Buckley, Gary Faulstich, Kathy Raberson, Marilyn Walling, 4.0 - Jeannette Ball, Carol Popowchak, Bonnie Rodday, Beverly Stewing, James Sprandel, Eunice Van Wessen.



THEIR GRADES AVERAGE BETWEEN 4.6 AND 4.8. Row 1: Kathy Kelly, Lynn Espinola, Jim Economon, Judy Dunajick, Linda Pilliard. Row 2: David Jerger, Bill Morris, Dennis Kraus, Terry Guckes and Don Gieseke.

Old Court House-background for 'Enemy of the People'

by Carol Carpenter

The Old Court House, on Fourth and Market Streets, once the scene of the Dred Scott Decision, has now become the scene of another stirring drama, the performance of "An Enemy of the People" by Henrik Ibsen as adapted by Arthur Miller.

The drama shows how an entire town turns against one man and his family because of his conviction to stand firm on his belief in truth. The community rationalizes and places its financial status over the welfare of the lives of its people, because the people as a unit are unwilling to accept the responsibility of facing the truth in a critical situation.

"An Enemy of the People" will again be presented by the George Williams Players Apr. 23, 24, 25 and 26. Performances begin at 8:40 p.m., except for the Sunday performance which starts an hour earlier.

Because of limited seating in the Old Court House rotunda, tickets must be purchased in advance at the Three Arts Shop

on Delmar, at the Book Book Company on Skinker or at the Book Nook in Clayton. Students have a special rate of one dollar.

This play is being presented in celebration of the two-hundredth birthday of St. Louis, the four hundredth birthday of Shakespeare and in celebration of good theatre

Hope and Elmer's glue

by Kraemer and Kelly

"If I had a hammer . . ."

These words to a popular song have a special meaning to the scenery crew for tonight's play. Their high aspirations evaporated when they found out what they had to make.

The crew eagerly awaited the chance to display its artistic talents by making the facade of the house and roof. But no one could figure how to hang the blasted thing! Another challenge was making the border.



Instructed to blend blue and green to give a shaded effect, the enthusiastic brush-wielders painted the border pale green, light blue and shocking orchid. Miss Guenther after shuddering at the description, crossed her fingers, took one look and was struck speechless - with pleas-

Flying lesson

It proves frightening to farmer

by Bill Weaver

It was a quiet sunny afternoon as I drove out to the airport to take my fourth flying lesson. My instructor was waiting for me and together we checked in and strolled out to the ramp, where I began the routine pre-flight inspection of the little Piper PA-11 that I was to pilot.

With the pre-flight finished, we climbed into the cockpit. The engine began with ease so I pulled off the ramp, taxied over to the south end of the runway and began my run up. I throttled the engine to 1500 rpms, checked the right and left magnetos, set the altimeter, turned the carburetor heat off, locked the choke and tested the controls . . . everything was A-O-K.

Run up completed and all systems go, I taxied around and began my take-off. Throttle all the way forward, stick forward and back with a little left rudder pressure to offset the engine torque, and I was off.

Before I knew it I was over the freshly plowed furrows of an Illinois farm. Suddenly I felt the throttle come back and at the same time my instructor's voice came yelling forward, "Your engine has just stopped. Now what do we do?"

Immediately I looked for a field with furrows running the same direction as the wind. I found the field in front of a little white farm house, and began my descent.

As I hit 200 feet I looked down and saw a little old farmer standing on his front porch with mouth agape, completely baffled. When I reached 100 feet, he began waving his arms; and by the time I was down to 50 feet he was running around in circles. Just as I was about to land, my instructor told me to throttle up and climb back to 2000 feet.

As I leveled off I looked back to see how my little farmer friend was and to my amazement saw him just standing there, looking up in disbelief.

Peppy l'il blonde snaps up awards at baton twirling

by Brenda Perotka

It seems that one cheerful little blonde, semester two of Mr. Brummett's advisory, has been snapping up baton twirling awards left and right. This agile twirler's name is Joanne Hummel.

Joanne has won six trophies and 26 medals and is still going strong. Her latest additions came March 14, when she received medals for fifth, second place and first for team, and on April 4, when she won a second place medal. Both of the contests were sponsored by Marilyn Champion, a professional baton twirler and Joanne's teacher.

Although she has been at her hobby for five years, Joanne still takes lessons, once a week for an hour, during which she practices the military, solo and strut, all types of twirling.

Joanne's greatest moment came when she was named as the fourth runner up in the Miss Majorette of Missouri Contest sponsored by St. Louis Twirling Team. "Fourth runner up is really better than first place in some other contest, because this was really important competition," Joanne explained.

You needn't wonder what this little miss does during her spare time. If we could look in on her, I'm sure we would find her practicing the ankle throw movement that won her many of her trophies and medals.

Chess Club announces results of tournament

The Chess Club has been engaging in a 34 participant tournament for the last 18 weeks.

Organized by president Jacques Lougeay and sponsor Mr. Suess, the tournament produced these top move makers: Don Gieseke, John Filippello, Dave Moore, Dave Jerger and Ray Galbreth.

Don Gieseke, a freshman with the record of five wins and no losses or draws, is consired by Mr. Suess "a remarkable player." Mr. Suess also commented, "Don belongs to the Capablanca Chess Club and I feel he is capable of beating any player in his age group."

Fernow wins Jell-o bout

Poised over sparkling bowls filled with shimmering, gaily colored gelatine, the two opponents faced each other as worthy gladiators eager for the fight.

The coveted Jell-o crown, claimed by self-proclaimed king,

Phil Gilbert, has lately changed hands for the first time since its conception five weeks ago. Tom Fernow, underdog challenger, battled the king to a six dish to five dish finale.

Judged by Conrad Otto and Dennis Kraus, the contest was the outcome of months of intensive training and fasting by both parties.

Tom took an early lead after Phil, racing without his glasses to decrease his weight, mistakenly ate his napkin for a dish of whipped cream Jell-o. It was Fernow all the way after the champion was penalized on style points by Judge Otto for throwing his spoon.

It is hoped that in the future, extended intramural competition will be formed in Jell-o eating.

Armed services night here next Thursday

Armed services night will be held at SW next Thursday at 7:30 in the auditorium.

All branches will be represented in a program designed primarily for junior and senior boys and their parents; but girls who are interested are invited to attend. The purpose is to inform boys of their military obligations, to explain how to meet them and what opportunities the armed services offers.

Malnutrition

It's urgent teenage problem

by Kari Watson

It's hard to believe that many of the happy smiling faces in SW cafeteria belong to undernourished teen-agers suffering from malnutrition. But for the past 10 years, nutrition experts have known that far too many boys and girls between the ages of 13 and 19 are undernourished.

Researchers' findings show that the average American child is properly nourished only up to the age of two; thereafter, his diet declines steadily until it hits an alarming low in the teens.

Instead of eating vegetables, soups and fruits, SW students often fill up on macaroni, rolls, cake, pie and ice cream. By eating only these starchy, sweet foods, the individual is gaining only excessive fat without any substantial nourishment.

Two immediate effects of teenage malnutrition are a poor resistance to infectious diseases and a showing in physical fitness examinations. So why not prepare yourself or a happy, healthful future by eating properly and wisely today?

League Relays to begin tomorrow at Roosevelt

SW track team will participate tomorrow in prelims for the public high League Relays. Finals will be held Saturday at the Roosevelt field. The relays use two juniors and two seniors in each event.

League Relays is perhaps the most unusual and interesting

Non-league play in tennis opens with SW victory

In its first match of the season, April 9 with Roosevelt, SW took four out of five games.

Clyde Deffaa and Bob Stankus won their singles matches, while Bill Clasen, teamed with Roy Becker; and Ray Nelson, teamed with Terry Guckes, won their doubles matches.

The permanent tennis team, as yet unchosen, has another non-league game scheduled May 8 with Clayton High, there. "Clayton is said to be one of the best teams in the state," explained Mr. Mimplitz, tennis coach, "and that game will probably present the greatest obstacle to be overcome by our new team."

event of the year. Including two juniors in each four man relay adds extra interest, since in such events as the distance medley juniors can run any leg, 440, 880, 220 or mile—often pitting senior against junior. Medleys also combine races like the 100 yard dash and 440. Four-mile relays are new in PHL competition this year.

Strong individual juniors include distance men, Charlie Heineman and Dan Miller and shot-putter, Jeff McLellan.

Mr. Gladstone believes SW is a contender for first place in the PHL this year. Recent dual meet wins and high placing in the indoor armory meets offer an incentive to make the boys work harder. "You don't have to worry," says Mr. Gladstone, "when a team is winning. That's when they push harder."

Performance-wise the team is in much better shape this year than at this time last year. At State Indoor, Ralph Heineman tied for fifth place with a 4:38 mile and Gary Rainwater also tied for fifth with 21 $\frac{1}{2}$ " in the broad jump. Coach Gladstone believes these are excellent performances from each boy.



CO-CAPTAINS George Percy (left) and Larry Lalumondiere talk baseball before first game of the year.

Baseball tomorrow

Longhorns vs. McKinley

SW baseball Longhorns will complete the first half of their league competition with a game against McKinley at Cherokee #2 tomorrow. Last year McKinley bowed to the defending Public High champs by an over-

whelming 12-0 score.

Following the McKinley game, SW will face Beaumont and Vashon at Sublette on Tuesday and Friday, respectively. In last year's duels, the Longhorns defeated Beaumont, 13-7, and Vashon, 18-2.

The eighth league contest pits SW against Soldan at Soldan on May 5. Soldan lost last year's contest in a 12-0 finish.

In the first game of the season, SW defeated a strong St. Louis U team 8-3. St. Louis U was held to six hits under the pitching of Evans, Roberts and Newell. SW totaled 12 hits and three errors in this first game effort.

SW lost its second non-league game to an enthusiastic Roosevelt team 12-6. Following this defeat, the Longhorns bounced back to beat Mehlville 15-0. Newell and Evans combined to hold Mehlville to only one hit.

On April 10, SW successfully opened defense of its Public High League title by defeating Northwest 15-0 at Sublette. Pitcher Ron Newell allowed only two hits while he drove in three runs himself.

New program of intramural basketball set

A new program of intramural basketball for boys of all terms is in progress this spring. The purpose is "to give the fellas a chance to play," according to Mr. Brummet, program sponsor and B basketball coach.

About the origin of the plan, he explains, "The basketball coach presented the idea and the school administration made the opportunity for the intramurals available, so we took advantage of it."

The 80-member league is divided into eight teams in such a manner as to give each team fairly equal strength. Games, to be played in the gym, are tentatively scheduled for Monday and Friday afternoons.

Each team in the league will face every other team in the course of a five week round-robin tournament competition. At the close, a playoff will determine the intramural champions.



by Sandy Stoehr

Girls preparing for cheerleader tryouts had better get co-ordinated in a hurry because D-Day is coming Tomorrow will find the girls doing skits, similar to those done by cheerleaders at aud sessions, to be rated by the cheerleaders themselves. Pity the girl with two left feet!

The actual rating on potential cheerleaders will take place April 27. After the final day of tryouts, the scores of the girls will be tallied by that infallible IBM computer-type teacher known as Mrs. Kathleen Kindorf. Those girls left after the preliminaries will perform in front of the student body May 4 during periods one and two.

It's a royal blue tornado! Wait a minute. No, it's the first place team giving the traditional cheer after their fourth consecutive win. With team one in first place, teams two, three, five, six and nine tied for second, 10 in third and teams four, eight and 11 tied for fourth, the remaining games still hold the chance of an upset victory. Good luck, gals!

If names described activities, then the Swing'n Seniors might be a group of monkeys and the Five Stupids, a comedy team rivaling the Three Stooges. The Blanks might be empty cart-ridges, the Pin Busters, wild people who mangle bowling pins and the Alley Gators might be escapees from the nearest zoo. Instead they are the first place teams of Wednesday and Thursday Upstairs and Downstairs Girls Bowling Leagues.

Seniors pace high flying pole vaulters

One of the outstanding points on this year's track team is the pole vaulting event. With three seniors and a sophomore teaming up, these boys are jumping higher than any four boys in the history of SW.

Francis Haskenhoff, a senior who has cleared the 11'6" mark, comments, "For years, we have been sort of mediocre in pole vaulting. We now have four boys who are consistent, and I think we can go a long way."

Craig Smith, a junior who has lettered in tennis as a sophomore, decided to come out for the vault because it "looked challenging." Craig, who has cleared 10' in practice wants to go much higher and set the SW junior division record.

Tom Taylor, captain of both the track and football teams, went 11'6" against St. Louis U. High earlier this season. Taking his event very seriously, Tom says, "The vault is an event that keeps you dissatisfied with your past achievements." Perhaps this is his secret of success.

Dave Cook, also a senior, must know Tom's secret. In his fourth

Tennis men aim for 7th straight

Again this year the SW tennis team has a good chance of winning the PHL championship. Another title would mean the seventh consecutive championship since 1957. Its record over the last six years is 230-4.

Two important changes have taken place this year, however. The coach is Mr. Mimplitz instead of Mr. Close, who will continue coaching baseball. Secondly, the season has been changed to spring instead of fall.

This plan, Mr. Mimplitz feels, will give tennis new emphasis,



THE VAULTERS and their poles. From left, Dave Cook, Craig Smith, Francis Haskenhoff and Tom Taylor.

year of track he has broken the indoor school mark by clearing 11'. Dave, a three sport man (football, wrestling and, of course, track), wants to go at least 12' before the end of the year.

With good competition from each other, a little luck and a lot of hard work, all three boys think they can help SW track team finish high this year.

while it gives the boys more time to practice together; but it also means they will be facing stronger opponents.

Team captain, Mike Allen, is supported by two returning lettermen, Bill Clasen and Clyde Deffaa.

Last season SW won 38 of the 40 matches played and lost only to an undefeated doubles team from Soldan and to an undefeated singles player. This brings the total number of matches won over a six-year period to 226 with only four losses.

An Editorial

Athletics vs. education

Two letters in football. One in baseball. Two in basketball. What an athlete!

Is this you? Are these letters ALL you've gotten out of high school? If so, it may be that you have the wrong idea of the part sports should play in the high school curriculum.

Sports have a definite place in high school life, but this is so only because they aid the school in its main purpose: the mental, moral and physical development of the students. They are a means to an end, not an end in themselves.

One executive has said he prefers to hire men with some sports background because they have the competitive drive to be the best; however, it must be noted that he was speaking of men with another primary interest who played sports only as a sidelight. The fact that leadership is developed by a sports program is proved again and again in school elections.

Sports help develop a sense of unity among the students, who may have divergent interests but find a common interest in a good team.

For these reasons, sports are a valuable asset to a school. They cease to be beneficial only when their presence obscures the main purpose of the school: to educate.